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It's County Fair Time!!



For over 140 years people have been flocking to the Haliburton County Fair to enjoy a tradition that's fun for the whole family. This year marks the 142nd annual county fair, and it's going to be better than ever. Here is a break down of events to look forward to this year.

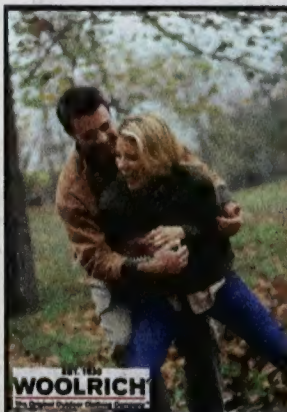
New this year to the fair will be the Fly Ball and Dog Agility event on Saturday from Noon to 1:00pm and 3:00 to 4:00pm. Once again the Farmer's Association will provide a Petting Zoo. There will also be games and face painting for the little people. Food, Entertainment, Horse Pull and Demo Derby for the adults. Don't forget the exhibit building with baked goods, preserves, arts & crafts and vegetables. There will be lots to see and do for all ages. Admission is Adults- \$5.00 Children 6 to 15- \$2.00 Children Under 6- FREE. "Children's Events" Saturday August 13th 12:00 - 1:00pm & 3:00 - 4:00pm "Fly Ball Team" Times: 1:00 -

4:00pm, Checker's the clown Face Painting, Colouring Centre & Kid's Games "Petting Zoo - All Day Saturday". Compliments of Haliburton County Farmer's Association, "Pony Rides & Mini Putt" Compliments of crown carriages. Visit Minden Agriculture Society-Food Booth- Famous Beef on a Bun. The Minden Anglican Church will be back with Corn on the Cob & Home Baked Pies. The Haliburton Legion has sausages on a Bun and food vendors will have Ice Cream, French Fries, Hamburgers etc and all types refreshments. Check out the clothing, Jewellery, Leathers, hand crafted wood products and other novelty concessions. "On Stage" Minden Fairgrounds Friday August 12th

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These are some of the wonderful things you will see if you check out the Highlands East Art & Craft Tour August 13 - 14. See story Pg. 38 for more details.



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Grand Opening! The Log Chute is Ready!

This August 20th don't forget the Grand Opening of the Stanhope Log Chute project which starts at 10 am with festivities, tours and demonstrations lasting until about noon.

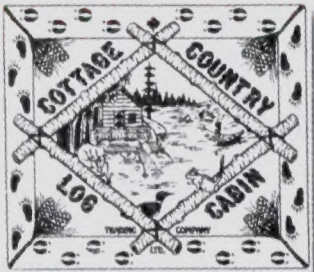
The Log Chute is a truly dramatic and riveting piece of Haliburton's history that has been entirely rebuilt through the efforts of hundreds of Haliburton businesses and individuals. Over 50,000 board feet of hemlock were used in the Chute's construction, which originally guided logs from Big Hawk Lake down the Hawk river from the 1880s till the 1930s. The Log Chutes were an integral part of Haliburton's logging heritage and economy.



At the opening there'll be the usual speechifying, but not for long. Trails and Tours are opening a new Trail at the site, and will provide tours of the completed portions. The great historical pavilion will be open, and the landscaped viewing areas finished. Fiddle songs, story tellers will also be in attendance. And finally, in what should be a really dramatic moment, plans are to release a number of logs into the Chute to see exactly how it worked. Make sure you're there to see the logs thunder down the Chute into the river beyond!

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Here is a truly "Fantastique" event to attend. Whether you like looking at antiques, or have some you want appraised, stop by the Haliburton Museum on August 13th for the annual "Fantastiquities!"

Explore the museum's treasures, and show them yours! Bring your treasure for the museum's panel of experts to identify. \$5/item, maximum 3 items per person.

Enjoy demonstrations including spinning, weaving, tatting, rug hooking, blacksmithing, woodcraft, and printing.

There will also be refreshments, hands-on activities, crokinole, scavenger hunt, horseshoes, and more fun for the whole family.

This all takes place, once again, at the Haliburton Highlands Museum, 66 Museum RD off Nayshore RD Hwy 118 - Haliburton. For more information contact: 457-2760.

County Fair An Event Not To Miss

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LIVE ENTERTAINMENT Saturday August 13th 9:00am - 8:00pm KIDD COUNTRY. Gord Kidd-Rick Pringle-Laurie Perry 9:00am - 12:00pm. ODD ENTERTAINMENT 1:00-3:00PM VARIETY SHOW 4:00-6:00pm KIDD COUNTRY 6:00-8:00PM GOSPEL JAMBOREE. ATTENTION WINE MAKERS!!! Third Annual Amateur Wine Making competition -Learn more about your wine -Certified Judge -A Great Experience. Ontario Demolition Derby Friday August 12 @ 8:00pm For more information Contact 705-489-2705 Saturday Night Dance (August 13) At the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena- Minden Dance to the local D.J. from 9pm-1am. \$10/admission AGE OF MAJORITY. Gable Bros. Shows Midway, family -fun Candy floss and candy apples Rides for young and the young at heart. The fair once again promises to be a lot of fun for the whole family.



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Don't Miss the Grand Re-opening Celebrations – August 14th

The Haliburton Highlands Golf Club, overlooking Lake Kashagawigamog, is one of the prettiest nine-hole courses you'll find anywhere. Hacked out of farmland and bush in 1935 by Peter John Borden, the course has been in continuous operation serving Haliburton's golfing community for the last 70 years.

Now, thanks to owners Dale and Eldon Bull, the course is undergoing a major corporate image and brand name change and this week proudly becomes The Ridge North Golf Club, with a terrific opening celebration planned for Sunday August 14th. The festivities will start with a complimentary BBQ at noon, followed by 9 holes of great golf with a cart per foursome for only \$24.00 per person.

The Golf Course has seen many changes since the Borden's created it all those years ago. Robert and his brother Bill Nichol bought the property in 1947 and operated it successfully for the next 30 years. Robert's son Hugh, a Chartered Accountant at Dawson Gray, grew up on the course, but "like a lot of kids who grow up on a farm, you can love the farm but you don't want to be a farmer yourself." Hugh's an avid and expert golfer, but neither he nor his brother Bob, the local LCBO manager, wanted to run the family golf course. So his family sold the business to Keith Stephenson in 1977 and finally in the late 1990s it became the property of Chris and Kim Grossman.

Dale and Eldon Bull had always been keen golfers, and Dale worked in marketing and sales at the Wigamog when the Grossmans owned the resort. Eldon was working in masonry, but says, "I just decided I wanted to make a really big career shift, so when the Sir Sandford Greenskeeper course became available, I signed up. I'd always loved the game, and was really interested in course maintenance and design. The Sir Sandford course was re-

ally great, everything I expected." Expert greenskeeper Jim Elstone taught the course and Eldon duly became a greenskeeper himself.

Eventually, in the year 2000, the Grossmans offered Eldon and Dale the chance to lease the Haliburton Golf Club and they jumped at it. A year later the couple bought it outright.

For the last four years the Bulls have worked hard to improve and upgrade the course, particularly the irrigation system, and their work sure shows. Eldon has changed and added greens and improved almost every aspect of the course. The result is a truly challenging and beautiful nine holes of golf. This writer's played the course, appallingly badly, off and on since the

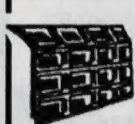
1950s and I've never seen it in such sparkling shape. On a recent lightning tour Eldon pointed out with great pride some of the changes he's made to the shape and style of the course that have certainly improved it.

And, as always, when you come to the famous 8th Hole, the prospect simply takes your breath away. This Par 3 is truly one of the most beautiful holes in Canadian golf, as the forest falls away over 120 feet to a creek (added by the Bulls) and the green with Lake Kashagawigamog shimmering in the background. But beware: the distance from tee to hole can be fatally deceiving. The hole is not only beautiful, but like the rest of the

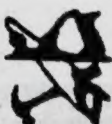


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Pictured above is Eldon, Jadon & Dale Bull. Eldon is also pictured above the famous 8th hole.



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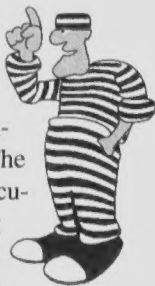
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KILLER SAUSAGE: In his Oakland, Calif., trial on murder charges, Stuart Alexander, 43, the owner of a sausage factory in San Leandro, admits he killed three meat inspectors because, his lawyer says, he was afraid they were going to shut the plant down after finding multiple food safety violations. A fourth inspector escaped by ducking and running when the shooting started. The evidence includes a tape from the plant's security cameras, which show Alexander loading three guns and shooting the men. Public defender Michael Ogul says while Alexander admittedly "pulled the trigger", he isn't guilty of murder since the inspectors "pushed him over the edge" by "harassing" him to follow basic food safety procedures.



MEATY CRIME III: Esteban Palafox, 34, of Tompkinsville, N.Y., has been charged with felony assault after allegedly whipping his son with a 15-inch stick of beef jerky. Palafox lives above a deli; when he learned his son had skipped school, he went to the deli, bought the meat stick, and went back upstairs to beat the boy, according to the criminal complaint. He faces up to seven years in prison if convicted because, prosecutors say, the 1.5-ounce beef chunk was "a dangerous weapon".

The Lonnie Extravaganza

**The Sunny Rock Bed & Breakfast,
August 18th, 6:30-10:30 pm**

The event is called "Loonie" because it is outrageously fun. Called "Extravaganza" as it represents a variety of activity and short 30-second games never before experienced by the average adult unless of course you participated in this unusual fundraiser last year.

Each year always on the Thursday before the 23 of August, Sally Moore of the Sunny Rock Bed & Breakfast organizes and holds the most unique and extraordinary fund raising event the county has ever experienced. Two hours of fun, games and laughter result in two non-profit organizations receiving needed operating monies for the coming year. How can your organization benefit? Members of your Board of directors, volunteers and staff of your organization are encouraged to attend the Loonie Extravaganza™ this year to represent your organization. Sally suggests that the more people you have attending this fun night, from your organization, the greater the possibility of winning half or all of the proceeds of the evening.

At the end of the evening each organization represented briefly introduces their organization. Each participant attending prepares their ballot and then two not for profit organizations are chosen by lottery. The more times your organization's name is in the hat the more likely the organization will receive the money.

Participants should be prepared to make a financial donation, bring a gift for the prize table and be armed with the name of their favourite local non-profit organization. To learn more about the Loonie Extravaganza™ call Sally (286-4922) and call for your ticket to the event. Space is limited.

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course, a true golfer's challenge.

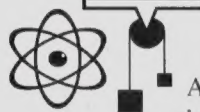
The Bull's decided this past year that the image of the golf course needed some tender loving care, if not serious help. As Dale said, "everybody in the County, it seems, had heard of us, but a lot of people didn't even know where we were. And these days, with so many young golfers being developed, as well as our seniors' population, we decided we really needed a new image and definition. Eldon had been in favour of a change for a long time, but I was a bit more hesitant. It's really a big step."

The Bull's want to make their golf course the "best nine-hole course you can find" and they're convinced that the renaming as The Ridge North is just one step towards achieving that goal. Both Dale and Eldon have been very grateful for the support they've received from the community over the past years, particularly from the Grossmans, Jim Elstone, and the current ownership of the Wigamog, where Dale is now General Manager. Eldon's born and bred in the Highlands, and Dale's lived here since childhood, and they want the community to be as proud of their golf course as they are.

Don't forget, book early for the opening BBQ and round of golf on August 14th. The Ridge North is located on Kashagawigamog Road just off County Rd 1 (Gelert Road) and can be reached at 457-2233. Nine holes are just \$22, and year round memberships are available.



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What is piloerection?

A piloerection is simply the response to cold that we call "goose bumps." Tiny muscles in our skin, called arrector pili, tug on hair follicles and cause the skin around them to pucker and attached hairs stand up. This in turn creates a thick layer of still, or dead, air next to the skin, and therefore creates better insulation to the cold.

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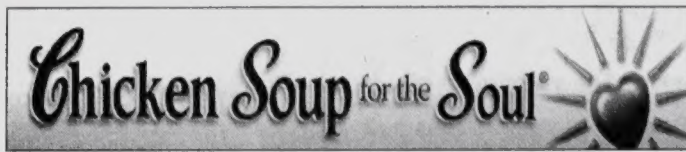
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Puppies For Sale

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The store owner replied, "Anywhere from \$30 to \$50."

The little boy reached in his pocket and pulled out some change. "I have \$2.37," he said. "Can I please look at them?"

The store owner smiled and whistled and out of the kennel came Lady, who ran down the aisle of his store followed by five teeny tiny balls of fur. One puppy was lagging considerable behind. Immediately the little boy singled out the lagging limping puppy and said, "What's wrong with that little dog?"

The store owner explained that the veterinarian had examined the little puppy and had discovered it didn't have a hip socket. It would always limp. It would always be lame. The little boy became excited. "That's the little puppy that I want to buy."

The store owner said, "No, you don't want to buy that little dog. If you really want him, I'll just give him to you."

The little boy got quite upset. He looked straight into the store owner's eyes, pointing his finger and said, "I don't want you to give him to me. That little dog is worth every bit as much as all the other dogs and I'll pay full price. In fact I'll give you \$2.37 now, and 50 cents a month until I have him paid for."

The store owner countered, "You really don't want to buy this little dog. He is never going to be able to jump and play with you like the other puppies."

To this, the little boy reached down and rolled up his pant leg to reveal a badly twisted, crippled left leg supported by a big metal brace. He looked up at the store owner and softly replied, "Well, I don't run so well myself, and the little puppy will need someone who understands!"

By Dan Clark
from Chicken Soup for the Soul

Yard Sale In Support of Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services

August 13 at the County Fair

The Advisory Committee of the Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services is holding a Yard Sale at the County Fair in Minden.

They would appreciate donations of your books or treasures to help them. All donations of treasures need to be at their site on the grounds by 9am Sat. or if you need a pick up please call the office at 286-4575.

The funds raised are for Public Education events to be held this coming year. The organization believes that knowledge disperses anxiety and that an informed community is a supportive community. Coffee and pamphlets will be available at the site.

Junior Naturalist Camp

For nature enthusiasts aged 7 to 10

Junior Naturalist Camp is for nature enthusiasts aged 7 to 10 to discover and learn in the great outdoors; programs are led by an experienced outdoor educator with assistance from the Haliburton Field Naturalists;

The program runs from August 15th – 19th Minden Hills Museum - 10:00am until 12:00 noon

Program Themes

Monday – Owls and Birds

Tuesday – Nature Crafts

Wednesday – Creepy Creatures

Thursday – Fantastic Forests

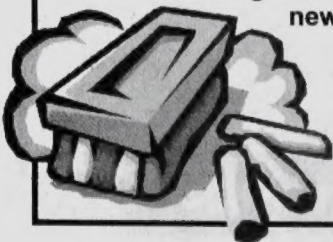
Friday - Survival

The cost is \$20/week or \$5.00/day. Children can sign up for the whole week or for selected days. Please pre-register. Space is limited (they will take new registration each day if there is space available)

Contact Sheila Ziman at (705)754-2532 or
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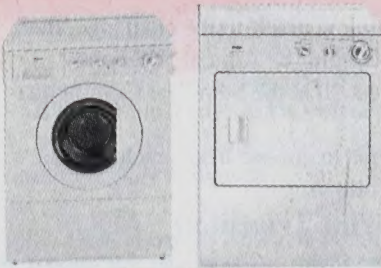


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Beary Social Picnic

Minden Hills Museum grounds, Wednesday,
August 17th, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm - Registration
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If your child loves teddy bears, they won't want to miss the upcoming Beary Social Picnic in Minden. Each child registered will make & keep their own stuffed teddy bear, a hand puppet, bookmark and more; participate in games, stories & songs; and receive a gift bag of goodies to take home & enjoy.

The cost is only \$2 per child; Adults Free! Adults must accompany children for this event.

Organizers are proud of the sponsorship's received to date – Minden Hills Cultural Foundation, A & W Lindsay, Canadian Wildlife Service, Coca Cola, Government of Ontario (Minden office), DARE cookies, A. & S. Eskelin, Fabricland Lindsay, MNR Minden Office, P. & K. Oyler, Simmons Enterprises and the World Wildlife Fund. Call for more info – 286-3154

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There are three competitions to choose from, each one a different level. They are as follows:

The Sprint Triathlon

(8:30 a.m.) consists of a 750m Swim, a 20 km bike ride and a 5 km run.

Get You Feet Wet:

(10:30 a.m.) consists of a 375m swim, 10 km bike ride and 2.5 km run. This is a great choice for your first triathlon and recommended distance for ages 12 and up.

Kid-Sized Triathlon

(11:30 a.m.) consists of a 100m swim, 3 km bike, and 2 km run. Great for the younger ones or anyone who wants to say they did a triathlon.

The registrations deadline is Sunday, August 14 at 4 p.m. and the registration fee is \$25. After August 14th, the registration fee is \$30 and you don't get a free competitors t-shirt.

For more information, or for an entry form, visit www.eteamz.com/stanhopetriathlon or call Lois Foster at (705) 454-8682 or Carrie Martin at 489-4297.

A-MAZE YOURSELF



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Come and run in the 2nd annual Haliburton County Rail Trail Relay!

It's August and it's also that time for the exciting 2nd Annual Haliburton County Rail Trail Relay taking place Saturday, August 20, at 9 am. This is a fun, recreational running event for runners of all ages and abilities. The route follows the 36 km corridor of the Haliburton County Rail Trail, starting in Kinmount and finishing in Haliburton.



There are 6 relay legs, of the following distances: 10.9 km, 8.9 km, 5.4 km, 2.5 km, 4.2 km and 4 km. You can sign up a team of 6 runners, or fewer if you have a runner who wants to run a couple of legs. However, there is a maximum of 20 teams, so register your team soon! Cost is \$150 per team.

Awards are given to the first two teams (3 or more males/3 or more females), and to the team with the largest age range. Lots of other fun draw prizes for all, and great post-race snacks!

Registration brochures are available at various locations throughout the county, or contact Sue Shikaze, Relay Coordinator at 457-9110 or singing.dog@sympatico.ca. Proceeds from this event will be donated to the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network for development of the Rail Trail.

The Rail Trail Relay is presented in partnership with the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network, and with the support of the following donors and sponsors: Health for Life, Haliburton County Development Corporation - Community Economic Development Committee, Sharpley Source for Sports, Assante, North Steel, Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, Singing Dog Studio, Waverley Brook Farm.



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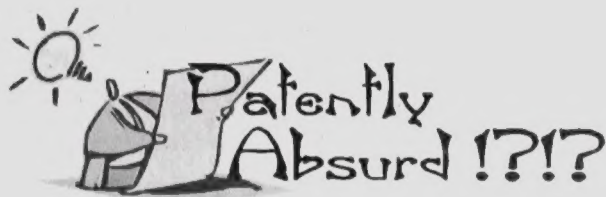
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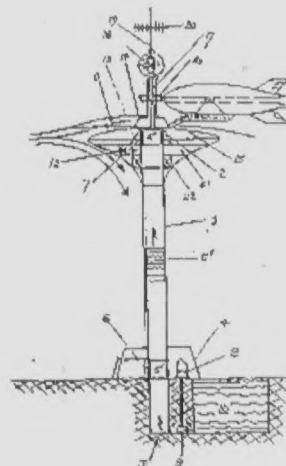
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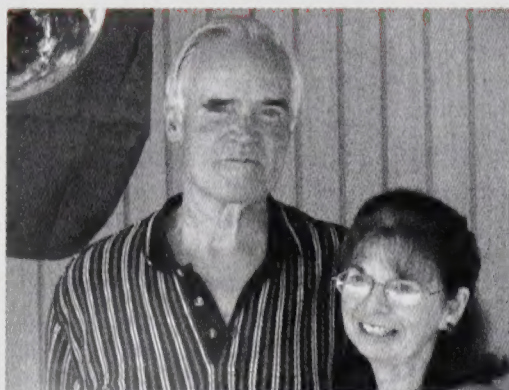
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Introducing The Gaia Centre

Carol Kilby and her life-partner Paul Irwin together have 35 years of experience as both ordained United Church ministers and as spiritual leaders with a wide diversity of groups. Paul still takes on some formal roles with the United Church, while Carol's focus has shifted somewhat to include what might be described as a more mystical approach to spirituality. Carol has also completely lengthy PHD studies with the famous religious leader and ex Dominican priest



Carol & Paul

Matthew Fox at his Wisdom University in Oakland, California.

Together they've just announced the creation of the Gaia Centre, located in the century farm built by the Barry family on Little Cameron Lake in Stanhope. Carol and Paul bought the farmhouse and some acreage just two years ago, and have almost completed an extensive renovation and restoration. But the couple are no strangers to Haliburton. Paul's family founded the Sherwood Forest camp on Boshkung Lake in the 1930s and his uncle, Cecil Irwin, was a long time Stanhope and Minden trustee. And despite the fact that the Sherwood Forest closed in the 1960s Paul still

gets requests from ex campers who want to see again the spot where those great boyhood experiences took place.

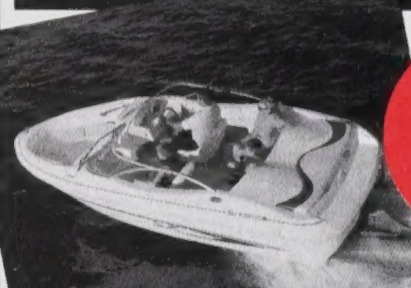
The Gaia Centre is an ambitious and imaginative project that has the potential to be a major spiritual centre for Haliburton County and indeed the whole province. Carol is the Centre's director, and says, "the essence of the idea is a redefinition and reinvention of work which we believe is at the centre of a sustainable, environmentally friendly future."

Carol's long experience as a minister and a recreation therapist in chronic long term care settings have convinced her that the nature of work is central to our sense of place, purpose, self-worth and identity. "Work Like You Don't Need The Money" is the catchy and accurate title of the inaugural series of workshops that Carol will lead at the Gaia Centre when it opens in the fall. Carol's comments that "we need to change how we work and how we view our work in order to have any chance of seeing ourselves as sustainable individuals".

"In the old days work was a kind of slavery serving a great industrial and consumerist machine – and many people haven't really freed themselves from the notion that work is drudgery. We have to create a new spirituality of work."

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There's Lots Happening At The Gaia Centre

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To that end Carol has gathered a rare group of thinkers, writers, and spiritual leaders for the inaugural session of the Gaia Centre. Her own 12 session, three part workshop has wonderfully intriguing modules like "Work Like An Artist At Play", and "Work Like Your Story Matters, and "Work Like You Need to Do Nothing" (that's one that every writer should dream of!), and "Work Like Chaos is a Friend."

The Gaia Centre is holding its Opening Celebration September 16th, 17th, and 18th with a Gaia-Glorious Supper, Music, Dance and a Cosmic Light Walk on the inaugural evening. During the first year the Gaia Centre will feature some well-known writers and spiritual leaders, many of whom have made Haliburton their home. Brenda Peddigrew, who lives on the Kennisis River, and who is an internationally recognized facilitation and conflict resolution consultant, will offer two major workshops in November and January. The first will "offer ways to personal peace and renewal by re-connecting to nature," and the second will be for women over 45 or so, called "Collecting wisdom: Elderwoman", which will explore the "strong and haunting call to collect our wisdom as we grow older."

Jen Sharp, poet, international traveller and anthropologist (and Haliburton part-time resident) will offer three poetry workshops starting in September on how to discover and liberate your spirituality in poetry. Marian Langford, a well-known adult educator and career coach, will offer one all-day workshop called "Creating a Life Worth Living" in the New Year. As well, Paul Irwin and Carol will offer retreat and renewal sessions for clergy. One, led by Carol, is called "befriending the chaos, rediscovering the enchantment." Another, with Paul, will focus on how to harness Creation Spirituality through the Lenten season.

In addition to all this, the Gaia Centre will also host presentations by some well known environmental journalists and artists, including award-winning writer Alanna Mitchell, professional forester and founder of Arborvitae Marianne Karsh, and Jim Patterson, a truly different kind of professional fund raiser and expert in the ancient spiritual practice of Runes.

The inaugural weekend in September will also feature presentations by Brenda Peddigrew, outdoorswoman Joan Weir, and Pot-

ters Lisa Barry and Matt Mihlik. Carol and Paul are particularly pleased that Lisa, a niece of the Barry family who settled the land, has set up shop in what was Earl Barry's old Carpentry shed on the property.

The Gaia Farmhouse will also be available to host spiritual retreats for groups or families or even individuals. "Spiritual Direction" sessions will be available to all visitors, as will Arts and Meditation sessions with Lisa and Matt.

As Carol Kilby puts it: "we're absolutely dedicated to helping people redefine the way they work and way they see their work. We help them to find the right kind of work, how to reinvent the jobs we all need to make a living, and even how in retirement we can make our life work more meaningful."

Carol Kilby and Paul Irwin are two inspirational, energized and highly positive spiritual leaders who have created a unique learning centre right here in Haliburton County. They welcome all to join them on their inaugural weekend in September and to take part in the wide range of workshops throughout the year. The Gaia Centre is located at 1032 Cameron Lane, just off the Barry Line in Stanhope, and can be reached at 705 754-2427 or on the web at www.gaiacentre.org for registration and booking information.



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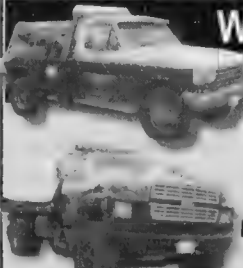
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In addition to the run, there will be a post race barbeque and party at the Moose Bar & Grill. There will also be children's events for the young one following the race.

The 10 km race begins at 4 p.m following the kids run that begins at 3 p.m. You can participate in the accredited 10 km road race or scenic loop course.

Cash prizes are awarded to the top racers and all participants receive a t-shirt. All proceeds go to CPAR (Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief.) CPAR is a non-profit, non - sectarian organization dedicated to supporting vulnerable, low-income people in the developing world in their efforts to achieve good health. CPAR works toward this end by helping individuals, communities and grass roots organizations to become increasingly self-reliant. They are also committed to informing Canadians about, and engaging them in, the global effort for health and development.

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at 457-1212 or by fax at 457-3955. You can also email him at ferracuti1@sympatico.ca. You can also register online at www.eventsonline.ca or www.runningroom.com. You can also learn more about CPAR by visiting the website www.cpar.ca. Best of luck and have fun to all participants!

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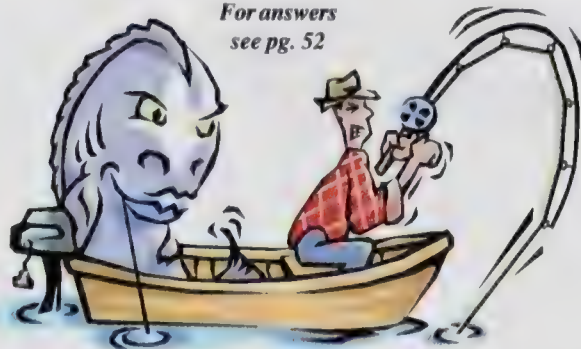
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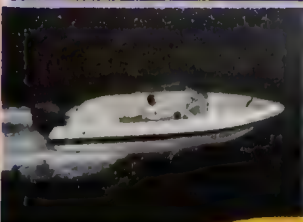


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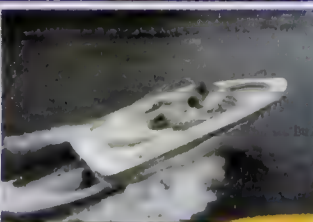


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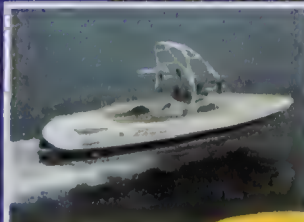


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So the only thing to do was to start up his own shop, in a shed at the back of the Beech View Cottages on North Shore Road in Stanhope. Which became known, of course, as North Shore Lawn and Garden. For the next 10 years Bob and Eleanor ran the two businesses side by side, making a good success out of both. Bob's competition in the small engine business was more or less limited to his friends Tony Salvatori, then on Highway 118 outside of Haliburton, and to a lesser extent the late Al Cooper in Minden. And there was sure enough work to go around.

Soon Bob became a well-respected independent dealer for some major manufacturers, specifically Stihl chainsaws, the world leader. And by the mid 1980s Bob and Eleanor decided to sell Beech View Cottages and concentrate on North Shore Lawn and Garden. In 1986 they moved the business to the corner of Highway 35 and Golf Course Road in Minden and within a year had quadrupled their business.

Soon they added other famous lines to their dealerships including John Deere, Lawn Boy and Arctic Cat and the business boomed. Through the years Bob and Eleanor established a reputation for service second to none: "you've got to have good product lines, for sure," says Bob, "but the key to the business is service, service, service. That's where the business begins and ends, with parts and service." Eleanor says "it

requires real dedication and an in-depth knowledge of your product and the ability to get the right part, right away." And it certainly helped that Bob was able to train his own mechanics. In fact he ended up training a good number of the small engine mechanics working in the County today.

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In 1994 Leanne Gartshore arrived at North Shore Lawn and Garden to work for Bob and Eleanor as part of a Futures employment program. Eleanor says, "She came in at first to be trained to help with our office work, the book work, invoicing, and so on. I knew right away that she was a real worker, but I couldn't have imagined how fast she picked it up.

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"Then the next thing you know, she's asking Bob exactly how engines are put together, and she's asking me if she can learn the parts side of the business, which is really complicated, working with detailed micro fiche and a zillion parts numbers."

By the spring of 1995 Leanne had become a full time paid employee, and the Pattons counted themselves very lucky to have such a dedicated and smart person on their staff. But Lea Anne wasn't about to stop there. Bob says, "she began to pick up more and more about the business, but she was still mainly working in the office. Then one day I look up and there she is, out on the floor selling a brand-new chain saw! To a very satisfied customer!" Before long Leanne had mastered Parts and Inventory control, had become more than comfortable with sales and had learned the complex and essential ins and outs of the dealerships warranty arrangements and was an integral part of Bob and Eleanor's company. "She really became like a part of the family, it's that simple," says Eleanor with a lot of pride.

This past year, Bob and Eleanor had decided to sell the business, and were in Florida on holiday contemplating their retirement. The phone rang, and it was Leanne. Bob says, "The first thing she said was 'what exactly was your asking price for the business?' So I told her, and the next thing she said was 'okay, but what would your asking price be if I wanted to buy it?'" One thing's for sure. Nobody could ever accuse Leanne of being shy.

Shortly afterwards the deal was done and this week Leanne Gartshore becomes the proud owner of what will now be known as Lea's (Pronounced Lee's) Lawn and Recreation, featuring the same terrific products and, you can bet on it, the same dedicated service.

In one way Leanne is no stranger to successful business. Her mom is Lynda Pentney, who with her step-dad John were co-owners of Minden Home Hardware for years. And Leanne is delighted that her brother, Donny Schlosser, will shortly be joining her at her new



company. Leanne plans to add some more product lines, including some water toys for the kids, a line of small hand tools, and even offer bulk soil and limestone in the future.

Leanne welcomes all the business's old friends and new to visit her at the same location on Highway 35 at 104 Golf Course Road. Lea's Lawn and Recreation is open from 8 am until 5:30 pm Monday to Friday, and Saturday from 8 am until 4 pm and you can reach Leanne at 286-1944.

And as for Eleanor and Bob Patton? "We just want to take a deep breath and relax", says Eleanor, and amen to that.

Pictured presvious page is (left to right) - Bob & Eleanor Patton and Leanne Gartshore. Below that is the new sign for Leanne's new store.

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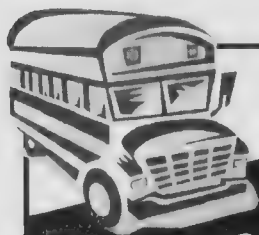
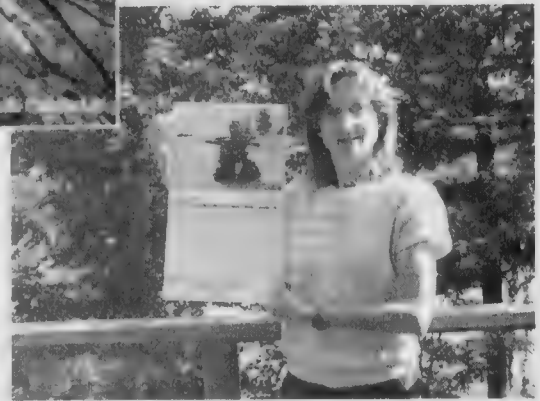
Trudy Pogue has teamed up with local photographer Dev Khalsa to produce the first Haliburton Highlands Calendar. The 16-month 2006 calendar features photographs from all corners of Haliburton County at various times of the year. It also lists some of the big annual events such as the Dogsled Derby, Studio Tour, Midnight Madness and Highland Games. Dev has captured the beauty of the Highlands with photographs taken at Kennisis Lake, the Wolf Centre, Minden White Water Preserve, Head Lake, Halls Lake, Miskwabi Lake and more.

With beautiful photographs, event listings and moon phases, this calendar is a great souvenir for visitors, a memento for those who close their cottages for the winter, and for local residents, a simple reminder of the beauty and diversity of this area.

The calendars are available at stores, gift shops and galleries around the county for \$16.99. Quantities are limited. Retailers interested in selling the calendar can contact Trudy Pogue at 705-448-2709 or calendar@fyihaliburton.com.



Trudy is pictured with the new Haliburton Highlands Calendar available throughout various locations in Haliburton County.



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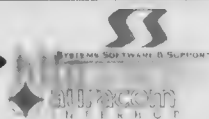
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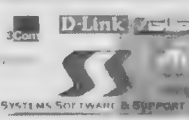
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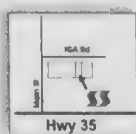
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Greetings, Haliburton and welcome to another edition of The Internet Geek.

We'll start off this month with the subject of Photo Sharing online. With summer in full swing, folks are happily snapping away lots of pictures of their vacations, family reunions and such. Sharing pictures is a great way to keep up with friends and family far away, but emailing large files can be very time consuming, especially if you're stuck on dial-up. Luckily, there are dozens of web sites that offer a service where you can post your pictures online as a virtual photo album.

If you run a Google search for "photo sharing", you'll find dozens of offerings, but if you're not interested in wading through all those results, let me provide a couple of the better options available...

Flickr - <http://www.flickr.com> - My personal favorite.

Yahoo Photos - <http://photos.yahoo.com>

Kodak EasyShare Gallery - <http://www.kodakgallery.com>

A lot of these Photo Sharing sites also offer print services, so you or your family can order copies of the photos from your online album and have them delivered to your door.

Staying with the summer theme, there are always lots of fireworks displays to enjoy at this time of year. A couple of interesting web sites to see...

PBS' Nova web site has a great section on fireworks, providing info on the different types, how they're made and more. Check it out at <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/fireworks/>.

Then, if you were curious to learn how to photograph those colourful explosions in the sky, the New York Institute of Photography has a series of pages on the art of capturing them on film.

How to Photograph Fireworks - <http://www.nyip.com/tips/current/firewks.php>

Shooting Fireworks with a Digital Camera - <http://www.nyip.com/tips/current/digfirewks.php>

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Heading now to the realm of staying safe online, this month I'd like to talk to you about 'phishing'. According to Wikipedia (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phishing>), phishing is the act of attempting to fraudulently acquire sensitive information, such as passwords or credit card information by masquerading as a trustworthy person or business with a request for such information in a seemingly official email or instant message.



The Internet Geek

with Kevin Humphrey

These "spoofed" emails can be a major problem for unsuspecting Internet users. Claiming to be sent by well-known companies, these emails ask consumers to reply with personal information, such as their credit card number, social security/insurance number or account passwords. These deceptive emails are called "Spoof Emails" because they fake the appearance of a popular Web site or company in an attempt to commit identity theft. Unfortunately, this practice is occurring more and more frequently throughout the online world.

Never click on a link embedded within any potentially suspicious email, especially if the email requests personal information. Companies like Ebay and PayPal or credit card providers and banks will never send you an email asking you for any sort of personal information.

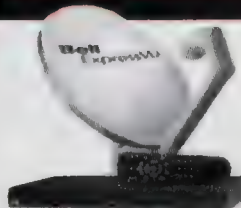
If you do receive an email that you think might be legitimate, but you're still a little suspicious, then do the following - Open your web browser, type the Web site address of the link into the address bar yourself and press 'Enter'. This way you can be sure you are directed to the legitimate Web site.

The Government of Canada also has a Public Advisory page available on the subject for those of you looking for more information. It can be found at the following address - http://www.psepc.gc.ca/publications/policing/phishing_e.asp.

As always, I welcome you the reader to send me your Internet questions. Queries can be emailed to me at haliburtongeek@gmail.com.

That's it for this month, so surf safe and if you weren't expecting that email attachment - Don't click on it!

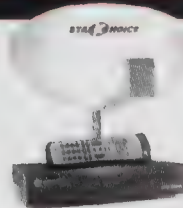
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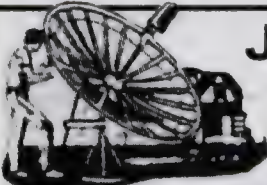


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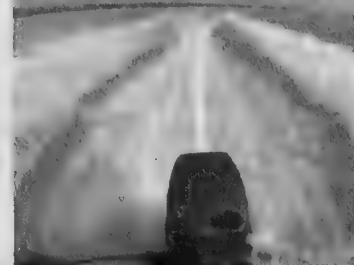
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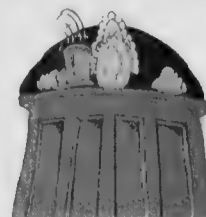
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It is against the law to gargle in public

Iowa

State law forbids any establishment from charging admission to see a one-armed piano player.

In Fort Madison, firemen are required to practice for 15 minutes before attending a fire.

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HIT ME AGAIN: John

Corson, 56, of Madison, Maine, says he has never felt better since he was hit by lightning. He has had three heart surgeries, but after being hit by lightning he feels "100 years younger" than before. "It's the best I've probably felt as far as energy in 10

years," he says. Corson was in his garage with his wife when a thunderstorm hit, and remembers telling her "I ought to go in the house because with my luck I'd be struck right here by lightning." He was just outside the garage when he was hit. "It was like, a hell of a sensation," he remembers, but now "I'm feeling like my body is light."



Lange On The Law



by **Donald J. Lange**
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The Law of Torts

Every day in Ontario people suffer harm as a result of the activities of other people or businesses or governments. The harm is often to their person or to their physical property. The law of torts determines when a person or corporation who causes harm, the "tortfeasor," must pay compensation to the person who suffers it. The word "tort" is derived from the French word meaning "wrong." The law of torts is the law of wrongdoings.

The nature of the tortfeasor's conduct is an essential element of the law. The conduct must be intentional or negligent to establish liability. Conduct is intentional when a person intends the consequences of that person's actions. Intentional infliction of mental suffering is an example. Conduct is negligent when a person allows a situation where there is a reasonable foreseeability of the risk of harm to another person. A slip and fall caused by icy steps is an example. There are also a few torts where liability extends to innocent or accidental conduct, the torts of strict liability.

Tort law does not compensate a person for all losses resulting from the conduct of another person. The nature and breadth of the losses are scrutinized to determine what are compensable damages and what are not compensable to that person. The remoteness of the loss flowing from the specific wrongdoing is often the test to restrict an award of damages. Quantifying damages is sometimes difficult. Personal injury losses are more easily quantifiable than defamation of a person's reputation.

Tort law, therefore, is inherently moralistic because it demands that a person be responsible and accountable to another person for the consequences of that person's wrongful actions.

In the next column, I will be talking about bailment.

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Life's Crazy Rules

* Lerman's Law of Technology: Any technical problem can be overcome given enough time and money. Corollary: You are never given enough time or money.

* Murphy's First Law for Wives: If you ask your husband to pick up five items at the store and then you add one more as an afterthought, he will forget two of the first five.

* Law of the Search: The first place to look for anything is the last place you would expect to find it. Corollary: It will not be in the last place you expect to find it.

* Kauffman's Paradox of the Corporation: The less important you are to the corporation, the more your tardiness or absence is noticed.

* The Salary Axiom: The pay raise is just large enough to increase your taxes and just small enough to have no effect on your take-home pay.

* Miller's Law of Insurance: Insurance covers everything except what happens.

* First Law of Living: As soon as you start doing what you always wanted to be doing, you'll want to be doing something else.



* Weiner's Law of Libraries: There are no answers, only cross-references.

* Isaac's Strange Rule of Staleness: Any food that starts out hard will soften when stale. Any food that starts out soft will harden when stale.

* Kenny's Law of Auto Repair: The part requiring the most consistent repair or replacement will be housed in the most inaccessible location.

* Second Law of Business Meetings: If there are two possible ways to spell a person's name, you will pick the wrong one. Corollary - If there is only one way to spell a name, you will spell it wrong anyway.

* The Grocery Bag Law: The candy bar you planned to eat on the way home from the market is hidden at the bottom of the grocery bag.

* Yeager's Law: Washing machines break down only during the wash cycle. Corollary: All breakdowns occur on the plumber's day off.

* Lampner's Law of Employment: When leaving work late, you will go unnoticed. When you leave work early, you will meet the boss in the parking lot.

* Quile's Consultation Law: The job that pays the most will be offered when there is no time to deliver the services.

* Loftus' Law: Some people manage by the book, even though they don't know who wrote the book or even which book it is.

* Lovka's Dilemma: You never get away, you only get someplace else.

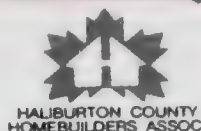
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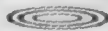
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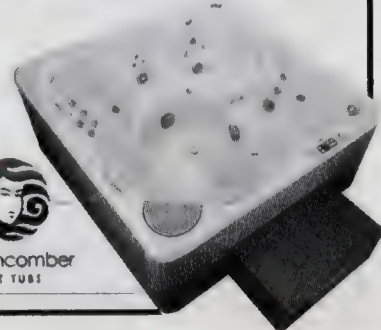


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The OPP Are Cruising The Waterways - So Always Be Prepared

OPP Constable Mark McMaster is the first to admit that sometimes law and order is a tough sell. And that's particularly true when he's on Marine Patrol charged with the job of ensuring boaters comply with all the new rules and regulations. As Mark says, "so many of us grew up with no life jackets, no extra paddles, all those things that the law now requires. For some people the fact that we must enforce the rules seems like a real intrusion." But Constable McMaster is 100 percent behind the changes: "we've had two boating accidents this summer that were real tragedies, where people lost their lives, that might have been prevented."

On a recent tour of Head and Grass Lakes in Haliburton Constable McMaster, supported by Jeff Mintz, a member of the Marine Student Program stopped a number of boaters over a period of about an hour. Four sets of boaters, three in motor boats and one in a canoe, were politely asked to prove that they had the requisite equipment: proper personal flotation devices, or PFDs, extra paddles, and so on. On this one morning in late July the good news is that each boat and canoe had all the gear, stowed neatly on their vessels: Constable McMaster even recognized one of the boaters whom he'd stopped the summer before! It was also clear that although these boaters, two of whom were fishing, didn't exactly welcome the interruption, all seemed to understand that it was a necessary part of boating in the year 2005.

But, as Constable McMaster says, "they not so happy when I have to issue a ticket for a violation: you're looking at a \$245 fine, just for being short a simple PFD. We can be a bit flexible when it comes to whistles, maybe, but there's zero tolerance for

PFDs, and of course, alcohol." It's also, of course, the responsibility of each and every boater to familiarize themselves with the new and sometimes complicated regulations. Here's a short run-down of what you must have to avoid that unpleasant \$245 ticket.

Want to enjoy a relaxing outing in your canoe, kayak, rowboat, or rowing shell under 6 metres' in length on a warm summer's morning? You'll need the following: a PFD for each person on board, although you don't actually have to wear it; a "buoyant heaving line" at least 15 metres in length; an extra paddle, or an anchor with at least 15 metres of cable or rope; a hand bailer, or a manual water pump with enough hose to get water over the side; a whistle, or horn; and if you're paddling in the dark, of course, proper navigation lights. Constable

McMaster cautions that despite the fact that you don't have to wear your PFD, it makes absolutely no sense not to. And if you don't like the feeling of a PFD on your back, you can now buy very comfortable inflatable models that rest comfortably around your shoulders and are almost un-noticeable. They, however, can't simply be stowed: they must be worn.

These regulations apply even to Personal Watercraft (PWC), which has come as a surprise to many boaters this summer. PWC

drivers and passengers must have a PFD, of course, the standard "buoyant heaving line" and whistle or horn, as well as either a watertight flashlight, or 3 distress flares. In addition, if you and your passengers are not wearing your PFD, you'll need even more equipment, like a fire extinguisher, for example.

Another major concern for the OPP is the consumption of alcohol in boats. The regulations are very clear, and there's no wiggle room. There are no open alcoholic beverages permitted, and no consumption of alcohol is allowed on any boats apart from large houseboats with fully equipped washrooms. No beers on the pontoon boat, folks, even when it's moored at your dock. And this applies to all boaters, drivers and passengers. The OPP is determined to prevent the terrible accidents that result from combining alcohol and boating, and to some degree, in Haliburton at least, it seems to be working. There have been very few arrests this summer for alcohol-related offences. Although, as Constable McMaster points out, it's not hard to see the Patrol Boat coming, with POLICE written all over it, which gives offenders a little time to dump the booze. But still, there does seem to be an increased awareness of just how crazy it is to booze and boat



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The OPP also checks for proper operating cards, which at this time applies mainly to boaters born after April 1st, 1983. But by September 15th, 2009, all boat operators will be required to have an operator's card.

If you're in doubt about any of these regulations, most marinas and bait stores throughout Haliburton will be happy to help explain them to you. You can also get further information by calling the Canadian Coast Guard at 1 800 267-6687, or on the web at www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca.

Pictured previous page is a routine stop on the water. Of course all was well with this

sop as the boaters, like many, had everything they needed for safe boating. Pictured above is both Constable Mark McMaster & Jeff Mintz cruising our local lakes.



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The artist makes use of the naturally occurring element, copper, as a way of depicting the purity of the landscape and steel to represent the impact of 'progress' on this purity.

Belmore uses the traditional techniques of *repousse* and *chasing* to create his pieces. In this case the actual act of creating these sculptures and installation pieces - pounding with a hammer on copper and controlling the shape of copper beads -

is a metaphor for the central meaning of Michael's work: the malleability of the earth and how we, our ideas of progress and our technologies impact it.

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What's the origin of the tooth fairy?

Teething rituals date back to ancient times. Most societies view teething as a rite of passage – the nursing baby becomes a chewing infant when teeth come in; the infant becomes a youngster when the baby teeth are lost and the permanent teeth arrive. As with any rite of passage, different societies have evolved their own rituals and superstitions. But this particular ritual may be only a century old.

A child normally has twenty baby teeth and starts losing them at around age 5 or 6. Back when witches were believed to use pieces of your body, such as hair and fingernail clippings, to direct magic and curses at you, proper disposal of teeth was a serious business. The process differed by culture, from throwing the tooth up to the sun or over the roof, to feeding them to an animal (usually a mouse). The tooth could be buried, hidden, swallowed, or burned (sometimes after salting). In some cultures only the first exfoliated tooth was ritually disposed of.

If an animal eats a lost baby tooth, the new teeth coming in will supposedly resemble that animal's such as a dog's tooth or pig's tooth. Letting the tooth be eaten by mice or rats will ensure that the child grows strong, sharp teeth (such folk rituals were recorded as late as 1929). People carried around an animal's tooth as a good luck charm – shark's teeth are worn on strings to this day.

So we have long traditions about the importance of proper tooth disposal, and of course equally ancient traditions about fairies. But the two didn't get together for quite a while. There's a tradition from 18th century France of a "tooth mouse," likely based on a fairy tale, La Bonne Petite Souris, in which a fairy changes into a mouse (or perhaps the other way around) to help the good queen defeat the evil king. The mouse hides under a pillow to taunt the king, and punishes him by knocking out all his teeth. Perhaps this was the origin of the tooth fairy, but no one knows for sure.

The tooth fairy as we now know her didn't make an appearance until the early 1900s, as a generalized "good fairy" with a professional specialization. The child loses a baby tooth, which is put under the pillow at night, and the tooth fairy exchanges it for a present, usually money but sometimes candy. Exchanges of this sort are common in many rites of passage (like an exchange of rings at a wedding, say).

The tooth fairy grew slowly in popularity over the next few decades. The Tooth Fairy, a three-act playlet for children by Esther Watkins Arnold, was published in 1927. Lee Rogow's story "The Tooth Fairy" appeared in 1949 and seems to be the first children's story written about the tooth fairy. She became widely popular from the 1950s onward, with a veritable eruption of children's books, cartoons, jokes, etc., including more focus on children's dental hygiene. Parents cheerfully bought into the idea and the tooth fairy became part of family life. The 1980s saw the commercialization and merchandising of the tooth fairy, with special pillows, dolls, banks, etc.

A pat on the back is only a few centimeters from a kick in the butt.

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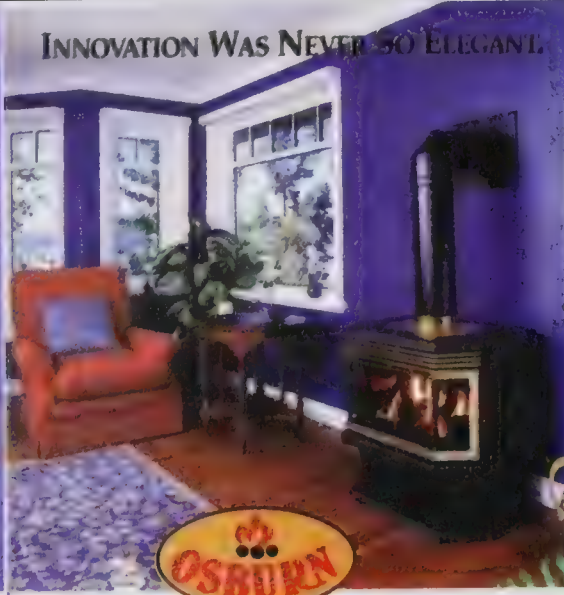
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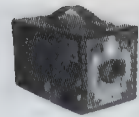
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Order of the Eastern Star: A Long & Honourable History

The Order of the Eastern Star has a long and honourable history stretching back over a century and a half. An offshoot of the Masonic Order, it shares many of the same rituals and codes of fellowship. The membership is predominately female and new members must be related in some way to a Mason. Members must also believe in a "Supreme Being", and the faithful from all religions are welcome.

The Haliburton Branch of the Order held its first meeting almost 60 years ago, in the old Orange Hall on Wednesday, October 31st, 1945 at 8:00 sharp and is still going strong. Two of the original charter members, Elizabeth Herlihey and Mary Walling, are still with us, and Jean Casey, a member for 50 years and a former Worthy Matron, continues to be active in the Order.

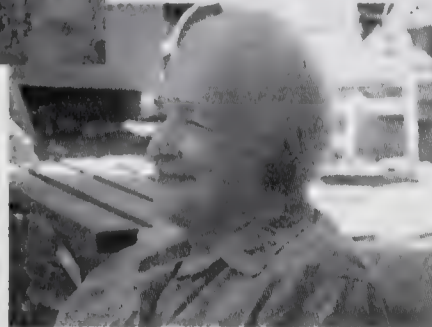
The fellowship and support these women afford each other, and the community, is legendary. Jean Casey is still amazed at how close her ties to other members all across Ontario still are, and says "it's a great equalizer – no one asks you what you do for a living – millionaires and the rest of us are all on an equal footing."



Sharon Matthews
& Jean Casey

The current Worthy Member of the Haliburton Branch is Sharon Matthews, who moved permanently to Haliburton with her husband from Guelph just three years ago. She was a member of the Order for many years in Guelph and clearly remembers her first meeting in a community where she was a stranger: "when I first joined I had no idea what it was really all about. I was very much alone, but at that first meeting I quickly realized there was no reason to be alone, the welcome was so genuine."

The Order has a purpose beyond support of each other, of course. Members strive to lead what's called a "moral life", and to try and do good in an unobtrusive way. Mrs. Casey recalls her husband Earl's watchwords: "do a good deed everyday, and don't think you have to tell anybody about it." But Sharon Matthews and many other members are concerned that the public isn't as aware of the range of their activities and just how much they support their communities. Being modest and unobtrusive is



Jean Casey

one thing, but being invisible is quite another.

The Haliburton Branch raises money constantly for a wide variety of causes. They've provided the new Heart Monitor for the Haliburton Hospital: they regularly help the 4Cs food bank. They help fire victims to rebuild their homes and their lives, and they often help with individual cases of need, for sick children for example. Sharon has a project on the go to help the family of an autistic child in Haliburton – and recently the Order helped the family of a young boy in need of a transplant at Sick Kids in Toronto.

In other words, these impressive ladies go about their work quietly, efficiently, and with a great sense of humour. As Sharon puts it, "we're friends for life, and we're an organization of fun!" They have a very positive attitude towards life and you can see how much they enjoy each others' company. Right now the Haliburton Branch is planning a "big bash" for their 60th anniversary in October, which should be something to see. The Order raises money all over the County, with raffles, bake sales, flea markets, strawberry socials, you name it. And every penny goes to help the community.

The Haliburton Branch meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month, except during the summer and welcomes new members. For further information please call Sharon Matthews at 457-2891.

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The Hummingbird Show

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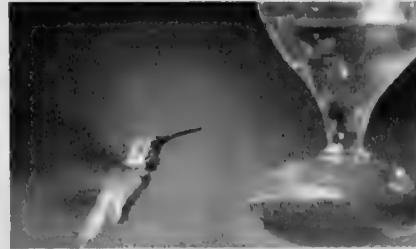
think of it, except for the occasional news and weather.

Instead, we are outside as much as possible, drawn by the subtle power of light and shadow, wind and stillness, bird sounds and wild animal visits. Watching the garden grow, the daily changes in vegetables and flowers somehow take on a magnetic quality in this season. And, of course, there is the ever-present flow of the river which flows by our back door, talking and singing and reflecting light in continuously changing patterns. There are days that we seriously believe we are living in paradise, and we stop and say "thank you" to whomever is listening.

This is not to say that we're without entertainment.

Most evenings now, beginning around 5 pm when the day begins to cool, and continuing into darkness, we stand in our garden for long periods and watch the hummingbird show. Beginning at the river we have a long swath of scarlet bergamot, otherwise called "bee balm," sweeping for over a hundred feet upwards towards the house. At this season, the bee balm grows over five feet high, many of them developing double crowns, giving them even more height. From a distance they resemble a river in themselves, red as bright blood. Edging the bee balm is tall mallow, bursting with multiple pink flowers and guarded by lines of black-eyed susans. This is where the hummingbird show – accompanied by the loud buzzing of hundreds of bees – is performed every evening.

A dozen or more hummingbirds – they're so fast that they're impossible to count – race and wheel among the bee balm, fighting for place and possession. They chase and jab one another; they drop and dive, then fight for height, one above the other. They drop into the bee balm and seem to hide until another finds them and claims the juicy prize they thought they had just a moment before. All of this takes place at speeds our eyes can hardly follow, and is accompanied by tiny screeches and protesting bleeps, a continuous cacophony of sounds that is somehow musical and discordant, all at once.



There is something mesmerizing about this show. We stand at the edge, silent observers, eyes darting around in an attempt to follow one or the other of the participants in the show. Bees come to check us out, fearing their own loss, and soon abandon our uninteresting bodies for succulent mallow. Stand there long enough, and you become part of the scene, we tell each other – and we do. We become part of the breathing of the earth who

makes this glorious display of beauty and terror, all at once. We turn away reluctantly, alive in ways we weren't before. When darkness hides the hummingbirds, the show is over for us, but not for them, and we wonder what goes on when we're not there. But that's not our business.

When the cold of winter drives us indoors and back to more television for some of our entertainment, we are always aware of how superficial it is compared to our hummingbird show. How second-hand, how contrived it is, with shallow plots and forced caricatures of people. Alright for awhile, but it's the hummingbird show that catches the memory, and the imagination, dreaming us towards summer again.

Try this: go outside some evening, away from the house and any other fabricated noise. Watch some part of your garden, or some tree with birds in it. Allow yourself to be entertained.

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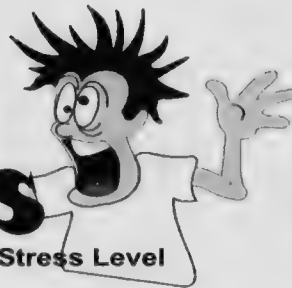
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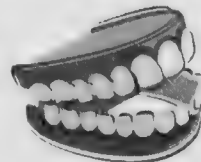
Quick Tips To Lower That Stress Level



No - two letters, one syllable, but difficult
for many to say.

Perhaps you say to yourself, "I can't say no. What would other people think of me?" or, "If I say no, people won't like me or accept me or ever ask me again." (That last one, if you think about it, might not be all that bad.) Remind yourself that saying no isn't an excuse to be irresponsible; it's simply a healthy, appropriate way to make sure you have energy for what matters to you most.

A Healthy Laugh



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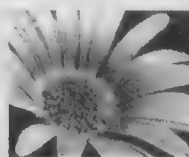
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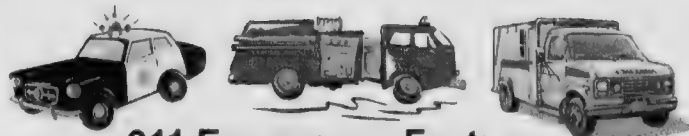
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A few weeks ago the Emergency Services of Haliburton County got together to welcome the public at their annual BBQ and meet and greet in Haliburton, and Doug Shell and his fire-fighting buddies were naturally front and centre. Doug has been a volunteer fire fighter in Minden for 17 years, and full time Chief for the last three.

The BBQ was a perfect place to see just how easily Doug and his colleagues Mark Bangay, a Haliburton firefighter, Dale MacDonald of the Stanhope department, and Grant Hutchison of Minden relate to the public – and take pride in their work. The BBQ was in constant demand, and the other officers scarcely stopped entertaining kids with their flashy trucks and exciting gear.

Doug Shell can't remember a time when he didn't want to be a firefighter. "Every little boy at some point wants to grow up to be one", he says, "but with me it was absolutely serious, all the time." At first he had to be content with being a volunteer while he worked as a carpenter, and later building inspector. But when the chance to be Chief came up, Doug was probably the happiest man on earth.

Doug supervises a force of 24 volunteers, and admits that the one thing that binds all the members together is the idea of community service. The challenges are heavy, and often daily, but the idea of giving back to their community never leaves them. When asked what the job's biggest challenge is, Doug replied, "every call is a challenge, every fire presents its own unique set of dangers and opportunities to help."

In his spare time Doug just loves his trailer at South Lake and summer fun with wife Lisa and sons Matthew (9) and Jordy (2). And in the winter Doug's a keen hockey dad for Matthew. Doug's family ties go back generations in Haliburton County, and as he puts it "it's really a community that you want to be a part

of, and help as much as you can. I'm really lucky that something I love has turned into a full time job."

Doug is pictured at the recent BBQ. Below is a picture of Doug with Grant Hutchinson at the BBQ.



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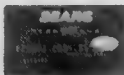
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Dining and Entertainment

Village Donuts

New Owners Hail From Jolly Ol' England – And They Are Loving The Haliburton Highlands

Stuart and Melissa Tilling, the new owners and operators of Haliburton's Village Donuts, simply can't find enough words to express how happy they are to be living and working in Haliburton. The Tillings, along with their children Harry (5), Bethany (12), and John (13) arrived in Canada from the town of Milton Keynes in England on December 11th, and to hear them tell it they think they're in heaven.

"This is just such an unbelievably friendly and accepting community," says Stuart. "You know, I think I've made more friends here that I truly like and admire than I did in all my years in the U.K." Stuart ran a construction company for years in England, but visited Canada regularly to visit Melissa's brother, who lives in Toronto. "We've just fallen in love with Canada", says Melissa,

"and we've always wanted to bring up our family in the country."



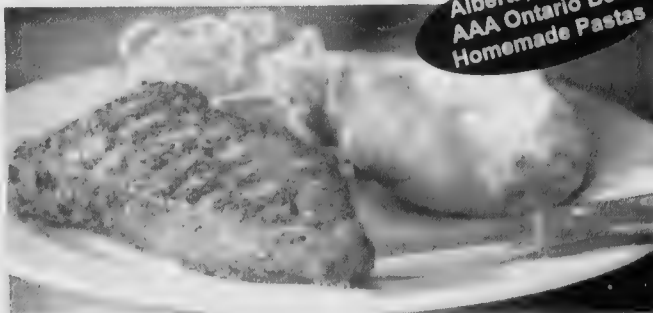
The Tillings searched around for a business that would suit them, and as both had some significant experience in the catering business, Village Donuts fit the bill. At the same time, the Duncan House was for sale, overlooking Head Lake, which seemed perfect for their growing family.

"And you know, I really feel safe here," says Stuart. "We both had connections to people directly affected by the London bombings this last month. We feel already that this is really the place we belong."

Since taking over the business the Tillings have gradually introduced a series of changes designed to broaden and sharpen the appeal of the popular restaurant. They've added a great espresso machine that turns out terrific cappuccinos and lattes, along with a slice of biscotti, on demand. They've found great suppliers of regular and Italian coffee as well. They are also offering a cold sandwich bar for custom sandwiches made fresh,

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And soon they'll be real home made meat pies, home baked Cornish pasties and more. In the fall Stuart and Melissa hope to be offering Haliburton's first authentic British Sunday Roast of Beef, together with Yorkshire Pudding!

Melissa also points out that "we are also going to be offering only home cooked meats - no more processed meats, we're going to cook all the chicken, turkey and beef right here. We're also gradually upgrading all the equipment."

The Tillings are happy with their first summer's business, although taking over a restaurant at the beginning of the busiest season is a big challenge. And during the hottest days of July, their air-conditioning broke down and took a while to be fixed, which made life even more difficult. But the regular customers are back in force, and business is brisk.

The Tillings are strongly committed to their staff, whom they want to be with them full-time: they've tried to get away from the traditional part-time, sometimes full time trend of the hospitality business, with some success. And they plan further marketing and menu changes for the winter months, including real stews, for example, to warm you up for those bitter-cold days.

Stuart and Melissa's house contains a fully separate luxury apart-

ment that they're renovating and which they hope to be able to rent by September. The house's previous owner, Dixie Duncan, operated a B&B in the house, but the Tillings will be content just to rent out the apartment, by the weekend or by the week.

Village Donuts is located on Maple Street just past Emerson's in Haliburton Village, and is open from 6 am until 10 pm seven days a week. For more information about the Tillings' rental apartment, please phone 705 455-9829.



Pictured on the previous page is the new owners, Stuart & Melissa Tilling.

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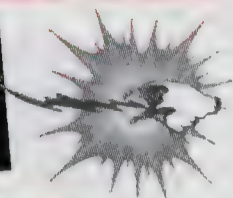
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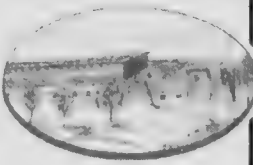
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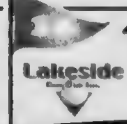
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Anyone who loves music from the Big Band era is going to love the upcoming Haliburton Lions Big Band Dance taking place at the Haliburton Legion, 8:30pm to 11:00 pm on August 13. This dance features the Greater Toronto Area Swing Band and all proceeds go towards the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

Tickets are \$15.00 each and can be reserved by calling 448-1128 and asking for Lion Mary Lawr or purchase them at the door.

Music by the Gull Presents the Highlands Brass Quintet

Come on down to the Gull River in Minden on Friday August 19th starting at 7 p.m. to enjoy the Highlands Brass Quintet. This is a Music by the Gull presentation – every Friday evening at 7 p.m. is an evening to enjoy great music and each week is a different entertainer.

See The Pipers in the Park - Tuesday Evenings not Thursdays

In the last issue of The Communicator we ran a short piece about the pipers who play in the park in Haliburton. The Highlanders Pipe & Drums band actually play in the park every Tuesday night not Thursdays as reported.

Everyone is welcome to come watch as they practice in the park at Head Lake in Haliburton - watch as they "Pipe the Sun Down".

We sorry for any inconvenience this error may have caused, and we hope you will all head to the park on Tuesday to watch this fantastic group!

Brunch at the Wilberforce Legion

Bring your appetites and be sure to attend the "All You Can Eat" Brunch at the Wilberforce Legion on Sunday, August 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The cost is only adults \$6 Children from 6-10 is \$3.00. Children under 6 are free. Everyone Welcome!

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Be sure to head to Minden Auto Care on the Gull River where you can enjoy delicious Beef on a Bun for only \$4 each, or some hot dogs, and ice cream.

Bubbles the clown will be on hand from 2:30 to 4:00 – enjoy face painting, balloon sculpting and more fun for kids of all ages.

There will also be fun games such as the ever popular minnow races, and a crowd pleaser – watermelon seed spitting.

Later in the evening the fun continues with a performance at the Dominion Hotel by Joe Fischer – Memories of Elvis. Joe is well known in the county and abroad for his Elvis Impersonations, as well as other great talents such as Neil Diamond, Bobby Darren and many more.

Entrance is by donation and all money raised throughout the day goes to Haliburton County's own Canoe FM – found on 100.9 on your radio dial. Be sure to tune in and see what the Canoe is up to now!!

Heritage Ballet Open House

Heritage Ballet, Stedman's Mall, Thursday, September 1st and Thursday, September 8th, 5:00pm to 6:30pm

Come in to meet instructors', register for fall programs and join us for light snacks and refreshments.

Dance classes we will be offering this year are: R.A.D. Ballet, Pointe, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Creative Movement, Parent & Tot, Modern and Creation & Production (accepted by audition only, Sat, Sept. 10th). Instructor's are: Julie Barban, Jody Cook, Rachel Regina and Daniela Pagliaro.

Dance classes commence the week of September 13th.

Mind, Body & Spirit classes: Yoga, Pilates, Nia, Adult Ballet Barre and Qigong Fitness classes commence the week of September 26th Instructor's are: Julie Barban and Lynda Shadbolt

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A Show Which Puts You To Sleep..On Purpose!!

Wild and wacky things are happening in Haliburton this summer. A young man speaks Martian, while another translates. Someone tames a lion in a three-ring circus as a middle-aged woman answers her shoe "cell" phone. What?! That man has just fallen in love with a large stuffed banana. And that person's "rubber" nose is being stretched across the room. These are just a few of the zany things happening at the Wigamog Inn Resort in Haliburton all summer long.

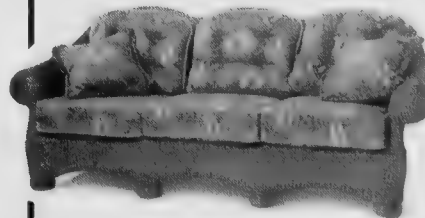
The popular Richard Cole Comedy Hypnosis Show returns again this year to the Wigamog's Moose Bar and Grill each Saturday night until September. With his unique hypnotic stylings, Cole, a certified stage hypnotist and comedian, has the audience awestruck with amazement one minute, and bursting with laughter the next.

Whether on stage in a hypnotic trance or laughing the evening away as a spectator, the Richard Cole Comedy Hypnosis Show offers the ultimate in audience participation. Cole is an experienced entertainer from Belleville, Ontario, who performs regularly throughout Ontario. His background in stand-up comedy, magic, and musical theatre comes together for a truly original and unforgettable experience.

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Sculptures & Carvings (Inuksuk, relief, silhouette), Metalworks, Fabric Art of all kinds (embroidery, quilts, wall hangings), Needle Art (Knitting & Crochet), Stained Glass (including Faux), Creative Porcelain and Textured Ceramics, Pottery, Woodwork, Home decor, handcrafted gifts, cottage accessories and Folk Art & Decoupage.

The following is a list of who is on the tour and at what site (see map attached):

B: Wildwood Studio - 1055 Studio Lane, Gooderham - Nature Photography, showcasing animals, birds, reptiles and scenics from Haliburton County to the Yukon..

C: Gooderham Community Centre - 1067 Community Centre Road, Gooderham - Here you will find a bunch of talent all under one roof including : The Gooderham Crafters, Jutta Dombrowsky - Fabric Art - Embroidery; Chris Lang - Decoupage; Elva Bates - Literary Arts; Doreen DeGrave - Needle Arts; Kim & Wilma Warne - Soundings - Discoveries in Stone & Fabric; Trudy Gruber - Granny's Craft; Louise R. Greene - Pottery & Cards; Michael Megna - Kazba Wildlife Art; Vera Dyck - Oil & Watercolours; Sharon Lawrence - Fibre Artist

D: June Mutton - Folk Art - 2220 Glamor Lake Road

E: Alanna Coles - Textured Ceramics - 1006 Quad Lane - off Glamor Lake Road

F: Due to a logistic problem, Studio F is not on the 2005 Tour.

G: Ev (Evelyn) Saxby - Fabric Art by Evelyn - 17502 Hwy. 118

H: Pat Clarke - 1423 Farr Road - Also at this location: Lee Clarke - Woodwork; Terry Elstone - Pottery



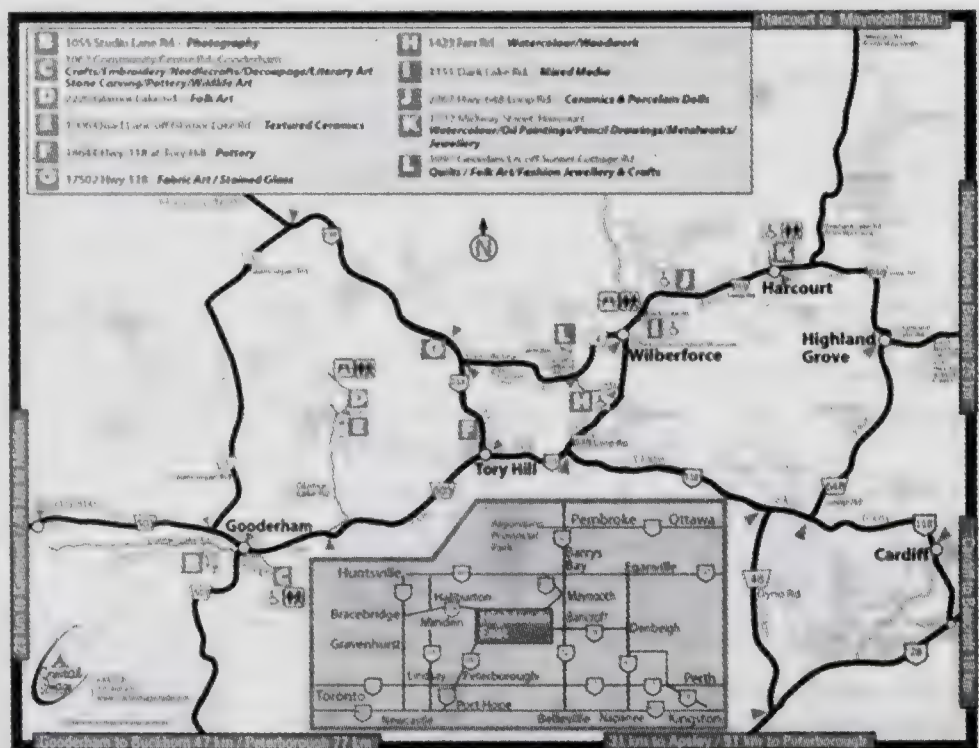
I: Jan Simon - Dreamweaver Country Boutique - 1151 Dark Lake Road

J: Eva and Dan Linkert - Porcelain & Ceramics - EJ Porcelain Dolls & Ceramics - 2767 Loop Road - Hwy. 648 Wilberforce

K: Harcourt Community Centre - 1032 Midway Street, Harcourt - Here you will find a variety of exhibitors including: Claire Loft - Watercolour & Oil; Linda Middleton - Watercolour & Oil; Luann Spada - Oil Paintings & Pencil; Marilyn Turner - Watercolour; Lisa Binnie - Deer Apple Forge Metalwork; Gail Burstyn - Lylis Designs Handcrafted Jewellery

L: Heather Poppe - Quilts & Folk Art - 1097 Geordies Lane; Carol English - Edgewood Studio - Fashion Jewellery & Crafts.

Watch for copies of the tour brochure available at all the listed sites, as well as store locations throughout the area. The tour is self guided and you may visit in any order and as many as you wish. Enjoy the tour!!



A Night Of Blues – At The Academy Theatre

The Academy Theatre for Performing Arts is pleased to present "A Night of Blues" Saturday, September 3, 2005 at 8 p.m.

Individual sets from three of Canada's most respected Blues musicians, Serena Ryder, Sue Foley, and David Gogo, make this an evening of music which should not be missed.

Serena Ryder is a compelling talent and her new CD 'Unlikely Emergency' has proven that she is a voice to be reckoned with. "Ryder has been defined as a combination of Patsy Cline and Janis Joplin. Add a little Tracy Chapman and Etta James and you've got the picture.

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Canadian Elle Magazine's Egle Procuta wrote, "When Serena Ryder sings about falling in love, the most jaded world-weariness dissolves... it's impossible not to be physically shaken when [she] sings."

Well-respected, multiple award-winning performer and songwriter, Sue Foley is simply the real deal. Foley is an engaging performer whether playing twangy electric or sensuous acoustic blues.

In addition to her own headline club, theatre and festival dates,

she has opened for and toured with the late John Lee Hooker, BB King, Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, Buddy Guy, Joe Cocker, Tom Petty, The Neville Brothers, Jonny Lang and many more

during her career. She enjoys playing live and is coming to Lindsay as part of a tour to support her latest CD, *Changes*, a warm, intimate, acoustic record.

David Gogo can write, play and sing with the best blues performers in the country. He is a musician who's most at-home on a concert stage.

Gogo's latest CD, the 7th album of his career, has a rocky edge and features some of Gogo's notable peers such as Jeff Healey, Tom Wilson of Blackie &

the Rodeo Kings, Craig Northey of The Odds and John Capek.

Gogo says "It's a fine line to straddle that fence [between rock and blues]. ... I don't like to be a paint-by-numbers blues guy. I like to make things exciting."

Tickets are 39.50. Contact the Theatre Box Office at 1-705-324-9111 or 1-877-888-0038 for more information or visit the Academy Theatre website at <http://www.academytheatre.ca> or in person at 2 Lindsay St. South, Lindsay.



The Name's Familiar... *John Doe*

John and Anton Kliegl

John Kliegl was born in Bavaria in 1869. His brother, Anton, was born in 1872. Both brothers migrated to the United States.

Their first jobs in America were with a stage lighting company in New York. Within a few years they had saved enough to buy out their employer and start their own company.

In 1896, they launched the Kliegl Brothers Universal Electric Stage Lighting Company. They didn't simply sell theatrical equipment. They also designed it. They were responsible for many innovative scenic effects for the stage and for the new motion picture industry.

Of their designs, the one that had the greatest impact on the cinematic world was a bright carbon arc lamp that allowed directors to make night appear to be day, and to make every day sufficiently bright. The light was called a Kliegl light, and later a klieg light.

The Kliegl brothers were said to have been responsible for one enduring Hollywood custom. The brightness of the lamps caused actors to have painful eye problems, which they dubbed klieg eye. According to the book *Inventive Genius*, "Actors forced to work under the bright lamps created a Hollywood trademark as famous as the Kliegl brothers' invention: the perpetual wearing of sunglasses."

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R. Murray Schafer is a world-renowned composer and author who's been honoured world wide for not only his music, but also for his environmental activism. Schafer was the originator of the term "Soundscapes" almost 40 years ago to describe how intimately sound and place are intrinsically linked. While teaching music and communications at Simon Fraser University in the 1960s Schafer started a research project to determine just how our collective "soundscape" was being degraded.

"We realized just how the sounds of the natural world are being thrust aside and replaced by man-made sounds. Just as the natural light and shadow of the night is being replaced by artificial light so that in cities and increasingly the countryside you can hardly see the stars."

Schafer's efforts have led in part to the formation of the World Forum for Acoustic Ecology, which met most recently in Lisbon just last month. Schafer believes passionately in the artist's duty to be politically active – and his environmental concerns have informed his work and life throughout his career.

Later this month Patria Music/Theatre Projects will stage the Enchanted Forest, which is a part of Schafer's life-long project, the 12-part Patria Cycle. These vast works are all staged outdoors, making them a kind of living "environmental theatre", where, as one critic put it, "God is co-designer of stage and lighting." Schafer believes passionately that music must be a part of what we call our natural world, with its own sounds, the rustle of wind, the cry of the loon, the sharp snap of

twigs breaking in the forest. As he puts it, "music staged indoors begins and ends in silence. Music outdoors constantly interacts with nature, and sometimes vice versa."

When asked why his "music dramas" are so epic and complex in scope

he laughs and mentions that some productions in the early part of the last century had up to 10,000 people in the cast! Thankfully, for Sheila Sky, Administrative Co-ordinator for the Patria Company, the Enchanted Forest production is not quite that complex.

Sheila has been a music producer and production administrator since the 1980s. She loves the challenges Schafer's particular brand of music theatre brings. Among her other duties, like making sure this huge production actually happens, she's been in charge of recruiting the 50 or so Haliburton volunteers

who'll be helping the 60 professional musicians and actors stage the Enchanted Forest Production later this month at the Haliburton Forest.

Murray Schafer has had a long and happy relationship with the Forest, which culminated this year with the announcement of a 5-year partnership between it and Patria Music. The Haliburton Forest's Peter Schlieffenbaum and Schafer greatly respect each other's dedication to a sustainable environment, and Schlieffenbaum is delighted that Schafer will be staging one of his epic works here each summer for the next five years, at least.

The logistical and artistic challenges for Sheila Sky and her team are simply immense. The Enchanted Forest is staged literally in the bush, at night. The audience follows the actors and musicians, including the



Sheila Sky

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The Enchanted Forest

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famed La Jeunesse Choir, through the woods as the play unfolds. In addition to the lead singers, the group includes nine more actors, the children's choir, and about 20 dancers and movers. The orchestra alone consists of 2 flutes, 2 clarinets, several recorders and pennywhistles, 2 French horns, 4 trombones, 4 tubas, 4 didgeridoos, a guitar, an accordion, and 10 to 15 drummers! And all wandering about in the woods at night in a precisely choreographed and organized manner! Along with all the sounds, actions, and surprises of a real forest.

Sheila Sky just laughs at how crazy it all must sometimes seem:

"one of the greatest things about working with Murray is his passion for getting everything right, and for the fact that his vision is strong and uncompromising – it's really so thrilling. And the audience feels that as well. To help to put all this together is a wonderful challenge. And the volunteers from Haliburton County are just a joy to work with. The whole company wants to continue our association with Haliburton and the



Forest Reserve for as long as possible. The co-operation is a good as it could possibly be."

Robert Everett-Green, of the Globe and Mail, called the production 'A rare, supernatural delight.' And William Littler, the Toronto Star's music critic, called Murray Schafer's Patria Cycle "the most wildly imaginative and physically ambitious series of music theatre works in the history of the Canadian stage". And it's all coming shortly to a forest near you.

The Enchanted Forest is being performed at the Forest Reserve from August 24th to August 28th, and from August 31st to September 2nd. Tickets are \$50 per person for adults, \$40 for seniors and young persons from age 9 to 19. Only 200 tickets are sold for each performance, and they're available at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton and the Forest Reserve. For more information, the Patria website is www.patria.org, or call 416 596-8585.

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Peppermill Restaurant on Fire August 13th - It's Gonna Be Hot In There!

The Peppermill Restaurant will be on fire on Saturday August 13th starting at 9:30 p.m., as special guest band Dennis Martel and the High Rollers will hit the stage live and have all who attend rocking and rolling to great music from the Beatles to Metallica. The event is a fundraiser for the Stanhope Fire Department. Cost of admission is only \$5 per person with all cover charges going towards rescue equipment for the fire department. Come on out on Saturday night and check out this amazing band, and help this great cause. As Peppermill owner Greg Turner says, "If you close your eyes and just listen to these guys, you'll swear they're the real McCoy's on stage. They're awesome musicians, and a lot of fun."

Remember, besides amazing food and service, the Peppermill restaurant located in Carnarvon also is host to Yuk Yuk's comedy nights every Thursday evening in the summer, and has more great live entertainment coming on Saturday August 20th as blues artists Fat Bottom Daddies will be appearing live at the restaurant.

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Elvis favourite collectibles were official badges. He collected police badges in almost every city he performed in.

Who Cares - Who Cares

Duran Duran took their name from a mad scientist in the movie Barbarella.

Too Many Travolta's In One Place

The world's largest disco was held at the Buffalo Convention Centre, New York, 1979. 13,000 danced a place into the Guinness Book of World Records.

He Did The Huggle...

In August 1983, Peter Stewart of Birmingham, UK set a world record by disco dancing for 408 hours.

Martha in the Sky with Dog Breath

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The event takes place on September 30th and you can get your tickets by calling 457-2941.



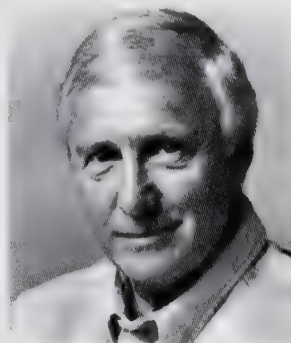
Charlie

Charlie (Don's most famous character) was first introduced to Canadians in 1952 and since then, his career has been almost as impressive as Don's. He has worked in radio and television, made a number of albums, is the author of several best-selling books, his latest, Charlie's A Broad (it's a travel book, not a medical text) and had 18 seasons on the long-running TV series Hee Haw.

Don made his first debut at the age of 10, and except for the interruption of World War II, he hasn't looked back since. His voice was first heard on CBC radio in 1936 – the same year it commenced public broadcasting. He has also worked in television since its inception. Don is also an accomplished actor on stage. His distinguished theatre career has taken him to all the major venues, including Broadway, London's West End, and Stratford.

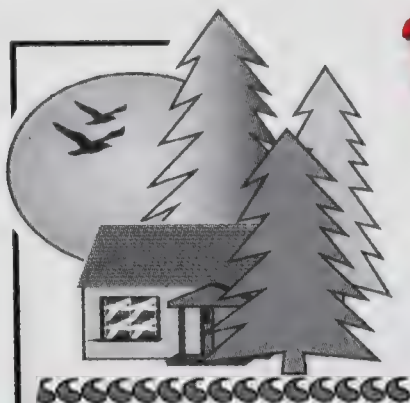
His audiences continue to laugh at his performances, no matter which character shows up.

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Who Dun-It



"Let's return to the scene," said Detective Minden. Minden and Micheal Baggle drove to the deserted storage house located in Donald. They walked down one of the many halls on the third floor and stopped in front of the ninth door on the left hand side. The area had been cordoned off with police tape. Minden removed the tape and pulled the door open. They entered the room where just a day before Micheal had shot a man dead. "Tell me again what happened," Minden asked Micheal.

Case of the Murdered Convict

Micheal retold his story. "Dave Gangster swore he was going to kill me when he got out of jail. Last week he was released. He saw me yesterday on the street so I turned and ran to this old storage house. With so many rooms I didn't think Dave would find me. Then to my horror, I saw the doorknob slowly turn. As the door started to swing toward me, I panicked and started shooting. I didn't mean to kill him, but rather to scare him off."

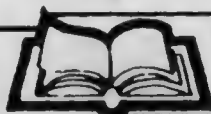
Detective Minden looked at Micheal Baggle and replied, "O.K., that's all Mikey. That story certainly won't hold up in court. Let's go."

Why doesn't Minden think Micheal's story is any good?

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Heritage Ballet will be presenting its 2nd Nutcracker Dec. 17th and 18th. Auditions are open to dancers and non-dancers

Saturday, September 10th

10am-10:45am ages 5-7

11am-11:45am ages 8-10

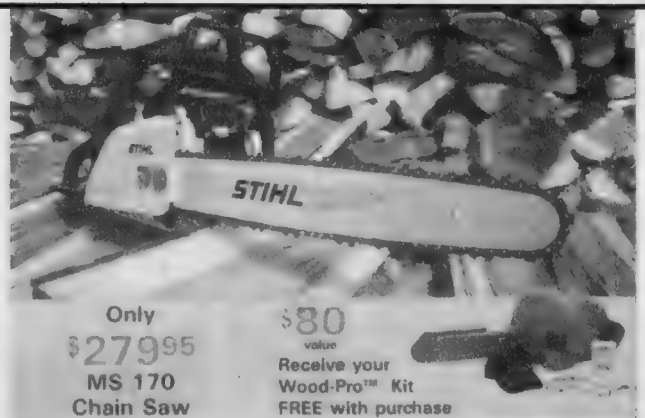
12pm-12:45pm ages 11-13

1pm-1:45pm ages 14 & up

Please arrive 20 minutes prior to audition time. There is a \$15 registration fee.

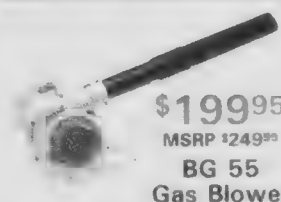
Attire is as follows: Girls: bodysuit, tights, ballet slippers, pointe shoes (for those at that level), hair up (preferably in bun). Boys: t-shirt, shorts, ballet slippers or jazz shoes. Please note: if you are a non-dancer please wear loose fitting clothes.

Adults are also needed!! Please phone if interested. Heritage Ballet is located in Stedman's V & S Mall, lower level - phone 457-1990

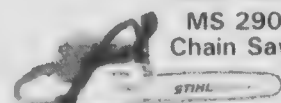


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imagine

Imagine there was peace in the world, and within. Then what would you imagine?

I'd imagine that each time it snowed, the flakes would be a different colour. Then you could look outside and know if it'd snowed overnight. Or when you shovelled the rink or sidewalk, the snow banks would be like rainbows.

Imagine the silliest food combination, like macaroni and cheese with salsa and hot sausage – oooh that sounds good actually.

Imagine instead of starting the day with a coffee and the news, you started it with a box of crayons and an easel of blank paper.

Imagine cars could fly. This is especially appealing to me since I live on a boat access lake. I could fly to town, get my groceries, and fly home without having to unload my bags into the boat and then out again. But then, I don't think I'd like it if other cars were cluttering up my sky.

Imagine once a year you could meet someone who died – maybe like on your birthday you could warp time. I'd like to meet my husband's grandmother. She sounds like such a kindred spirit.

Imagine Canada added a holiday in February. Maybe it could be

a consequence-free day. No matter what you did, it would be forgotten – maybe it already exists – February 29th?????? But then I don't remember.

Imagine if sunsets were spectacular every night. Would they still be entrancing?

Imagine you could escape gravity by saying a magic word. You wouldn't need cliffs to jump off of; you could float up over the lake and then say a magic word and take the plunge. You also wouldn't need ladders.

Imagine feelings were as respected as ideas. We probably wouldn't be second-guessing our instincts.

Imagine instead of watching a movie, you could press a button and be transported into it. You wouldn't get a speaking role but you

could be an extra on a set maybe in Tuscany or the Yukon.

Imagine you were a political leader. What level of government would you chose? What would be the first thing you'd change? I'd be the Prime Minister and throw lots of money into research on ecologically friendly energy production. I think the health of the people is directly related to the health of the land.

Imagine if bumblebees didn't sting. You could keep one as a pet and pollinate your indoor plants.

Imagine you had to eat potato chips in order to get enough fibre in your diet.

Imagine you were happy all the time. Would it get boring?

Imagine your essence was to create. What would you generate? I'm working on another book.

Imagine clothes never got dirty or wrinkled. My 88 year-old mother-in-law said the electric washing machine was the invention that made the most impact on her life - allowing her some free time.

Imagine every generation could sing the same songs and not just the national anthem. Actually, I experienced this in the Dominican Republic. Grandparents and kids were up singing and dancing to their Latin superstars. It was so uniting.

Imagine schools encouraged imagination more than memorizing facts. Think of all the inventions in all the different fields we could experience. Think of all the ways to use that creativity.

Imagine a pink elephant.





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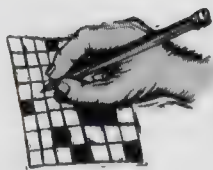
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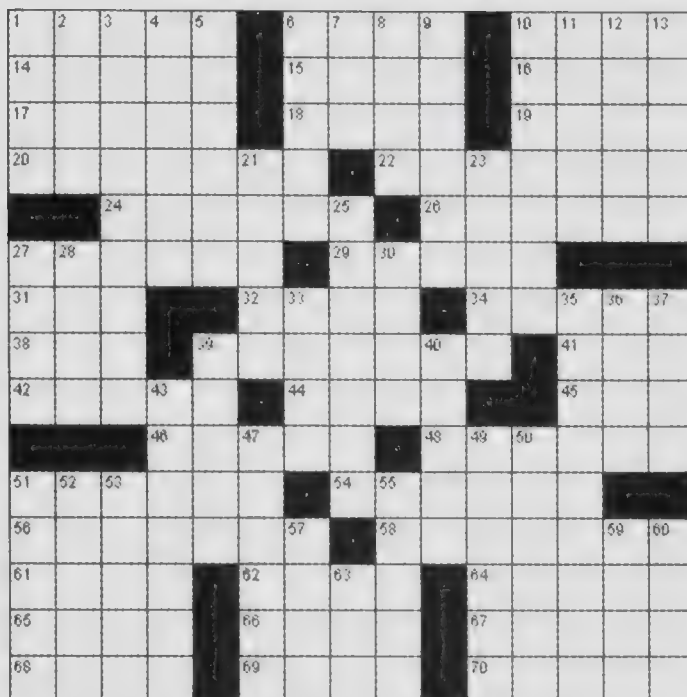
CrossWord Puzzle Time...

Across

- 1 Crustaceans
- 6 Fashion designer Chanel
- 10 Muslim priest
- 14 Novarro of silents
- 15 Algerian port
- 16 Commander of the Nautilus
- 17 Cub Scout leader
- 18 Voting district
- 19 Winter fall
- 20 Common
- 22 Stern reprimand
- 24 Suitable for evening wear
- 26 Less distant
- 27 As good as
- 29 Schindler of "Schindler's List"
- 31 Behold
- 32 Conjoin
- 34 Exigencies
- 38 Bond creator Fleming
- 39 Extend
- 41 Mr. Coolidge
- 42 Pianist Rubinstein
- 44 Moist
- 45 Neighbor of Arg.
- 46 Divided Asian peninsula
- 48 Make bubbly
- 51 Flying island in "Gulliver's Travels"
- 54 Drawn
- 56 Comparison
- 58 Dismissed
- 61 1996 Clinton challenger
- 62 Noggin
- 64 Radioactivity unit
- 65 Uninteresting
- 66 Thomas ___ Edison
- 67 Poker challenge
- 68 Largest of the Inner Hebrides
- 69 Merriment
- 70 Belief

Down

- 1 Projecting rock
- 2 Womanizer
- 3 Revision
- 4 Ravel work
- 5 Traps
- 6 Hoods
- 7 ___ pro nobis
- 8 Watergate reporter Bernstein
- 9 Up from below
- 10 Coming up
- 11 Option lists
- 12 Luciano's love
- 13 Lawn cutter
- 21 "___ is Born"
- 23 Trolley sound
- 25 Look before ___
- 27 Pacific Rim locale
- 28 Tragic king
- 30 Put into the hold
- 33 Portend
- 35 Peruvian's neighbor
- 36 Move quickly
- 37 Swing around
- 39 Typical beginning
- 40 African antelope
- 43 Hawaiian guitar
- 47 Miscellaneous assortment
- 49 Call forth
- 50 Diminish
- 51 Alan and Cheryl
- 52 Actress Aimée
- 53 Friendly
- 55 Forearm bones
- 57 Cheerleader's routine
- 59 Manicure implement
- 60 Had a hunch
- 63 Start of a prayer



for solution to this issue's crossword, see page 53...

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Crime Flashback

by Max Haines

CAUGHT IN A MAZE NO ONE GUESSED AT THE WARPED THOUGHTS WHIRLING AROUND IN DALLAS EGBERT'S HEAD, AS MAX HAINES REPORTS IN CRIME FLASHBACK

JAMES DALLAS EGBERT the Third was no ordinary youngster. At the age of two, he could recite the alphabet. At three, he was reading books. Dallas sailed through grade school and completed high school in two years. As a high school senior at age 13, he was offered scholarships to several prestigious universities, including Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dallas chose to attend Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich. because it had advanced special courses for gifted children. At 14, he entered M.S.U.

Dallas' IQ was measured at over 180, placing him in the ultra genius class. It is estimated that there are no more than 300 individuals with IQs in that lofty range in the entire United States.

Born in Dayton, Ohio, Dallas came from a fine upper middle class family. His parents, Anna and Jim Egbert, recognized their son was special. As a result, they demanded far more from him than parents might ask of a child

with average intelligence. They believed their son should excel in everything he attempted. In the academic world, he rarely disappointed them.

BOY GENIUS

On Aug. 15, 1979, Dallas Egbert disappeared off the MSU campus. Police were called in. Gradually, the strange and troubled history of the boy genius emerged. It was learned that although Dallas excelled academically, he was socially ostracized by his fellow students. He was a slight, shy 16-year-old boy, attempting to mix with students far older. They found him annoying and childish.

Dallas was a lonely, depressed boy living on a hustling, bustling campus of 45,000 students. He found relief in drugs, often making his own from supplies available to him in the university's laboratories. There is also evidence that Dallas was a practicing homosexual. However, while these activities may have provided a diversion, it was another aspect of his life which gave the troubled youngster relief from bouts of depression and, at the same time, mental stimulation.

Dallas was an avid Dungeons And Dragons player. The role-playing game involves taking on characters which have assigned abilities, such as strength, dexterity, charisma, and so on. The players make life and death decisions while proceeding through a maze of obstacles. The object of the game is to slay enemies, avoid being killed, and to find a treasure.

Police discovered that students at MSU were playing the game in a network of steam tunnels, which criss-crossed for miles underneath the campus. The students were extremely close-mouthed about their participation in the game. It was learned that while Dallas was an exceptional player, many of his fellow students found him childish. There was some evidence that they didn't want him as a participant in the dirty and extremely dangerous tunnels. Ostracization from the all-encompassing game must have devastated Dallas.

Eight days after the disappearance, the Egberts retained William Dear, a flamboyant private investigator, to locate their missing son. Dear figured that the boy genius had committed suicide. Dallas had left numerous clues as to his fate, one of which was an ominous note found in his room. It read, "To Whom it may Concern; Should my body be found, I wish it to be cremated."

A cork bulletin board in his room had a strange configuration of thumbtacks on it. An aerial photo of the campus indicated the tacks resembled the layout of university buildings.

Investigator Dear, as well as the police, believed it was possible that this troubled boy was playing a real life game of Dungeons And Dragons. If the investigators proved successful, the clues would eventually lead to Dallas' body. If unsuccessful, the body might never be found. You may notice that the note read, "Should my body be found."

For 28 days, the hunt for Dallas continued. The tunnels beneath the campus were searched. Evidence of students enacting the characters of the Dungeons And Dragons game was confirmed, but no sign of Dallas was uncovered.

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Max Haines Cont'd...

...from pg. 48

Investigator Dear and his team infiltrated the gay community and ingratiated themselves with those straight students who had had contact with Dallas, but still no concrete clue to the missing boy's fate was uncovered. However, the investigators found evidence, which led them to believe that Dallas might possibly be alive. Those who had harboured him during the first days after his disappearance were fearful of coming forward with vital information.

By now, the bizarre disappearance and its unusual connection with the game, Dungeons And Dragons, had captured the imagination of the public.

The mystery was solved in a most prosaic manner. Dallas Egbert phoned William Dear out of the blue and revealed his whereabouts. He was holed up in a dilapidated old house in Morgan City, Louisiana. Dear flew to Louisiana and brought Dallas home.

Dallas and the detective became close friends. Although the boy was reluctant to reveal why or how he had disappeared for almost a month, he did confide in the detective. He told Bill Dear that he had been thinking of disappearing for almost a year. He felt no one really cared if he lived or died and had often planned on suicide. His mother never seemed satisfied with his scholastic accomplishments. If he simply vanished, never to be found, he would, in his own way, punish his mother.

At other times, Dallas craved the simple life. A computer expert, he longed to work in a computer store explaining the intricate mechanism to potential buyers. In his heart he knew that neither his parents or society would hear of a bona fide genius working as a clerk.

Dallas explained that when he did finally run away, he wrote the suicide note in case he decided to kill himself. The thumb tacks on the cork board indicated the buildings on the campus and alcoves in the tunnels. The one pin that was missing was the one indicating the alcove where Dallas went when he first disappeared.

Down in the filthy alcove that first day, Dallas could see no way out. He was gay. He was on drugs. He had no real friends. He couldn't bear to tell his mother that learning and academic achievement were not his main aim in life. He decided to commit suicide then and there. Dallas had brought a quantity of Quaaludes down into the tunnel. He took them all with a glass of milk.

The next night he woke up deathly ill. Walking and stumbling, he made his way to an acquaintance's home. He begged not to be sent to a hospital and remained there for a week. A policeman interviewed the acquaintance, who kept Dallas' secret, but told the frightened boy he would have to move. Dallas transferred to two more houses, staying stoned most of the time.



Pictured is a photo of DALLAS EGBERT

CYANIDE COCKTAIL

As the investigation into his disappearance intensified, his benefactors became nervous. They provided him with money and purchased a bus ticket to Chicago and a train ticket from Chicago to New Orleans. Now cast aside once again, Dallas attempted suicide in New Orleans. He mixed cyanide with root beer, only to wake up the next day, sick but still alive.

Now out of funds, Dallas discovered that oil fields could always use roustabouts. The jobs came with room and meals. That's how Dallas ended up in Morgan City. He lasted only four days at the oil wells.

Why had Dallas called Dear after almost a month? He had kept in touch with the friend who had taken him in after his first suicide attempt. Back in East Lansing, it was becoming obvious that all the individuals from Dungeons And Dragons players to the three students who had sheltered Dallas, were about to get into all kinds of trouble. Several were seniors who stood in jeopardy of being expelled. The friend advised Dallas to call Dear and reveal his location before things got any worse.

After spending a month recuperating at an uncle's home Dallas Egbert returned to his parents in Dayton. He enrolled at nearby Wright State University, majoring in computer sciences, but left the university in the spring of 1980 to work in his father's optometrist store.

Three months later, unsatisfied with his home life, he moved into a furnished one-bedroom apartment with a roommate, Kevin Bach. On Aug. 11, 1980, James Dallas Egbert the Third placed a .25-calibre pistol to his right temple and shot himself. With the aid of life support systems, he lingered for six days before the machines were disconnected.



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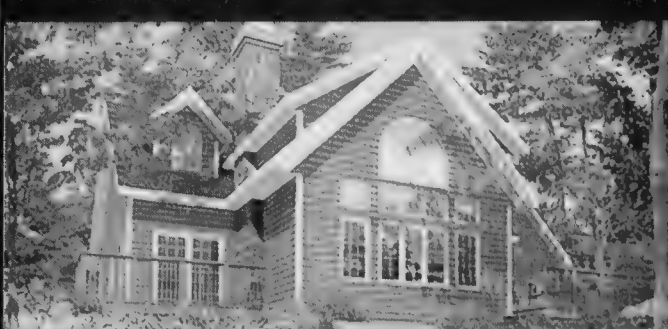
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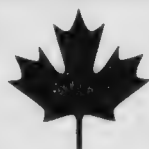
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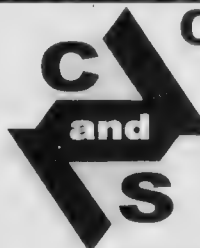
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Spot the differences answers.. from pg. 14

Answer's to Spot the difference:
 Line to fish's mouth gone
 Strip from guy's shirt missing
 Line above fishing pole gone
 Pull cord on motor gone
 Fish's tail fin gone
 Man's hat different colour
 Fishing reel only has three holes
 Pole only has five not six eye holes
 Guy's nose is longer
 Fish is missing one gill

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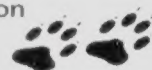
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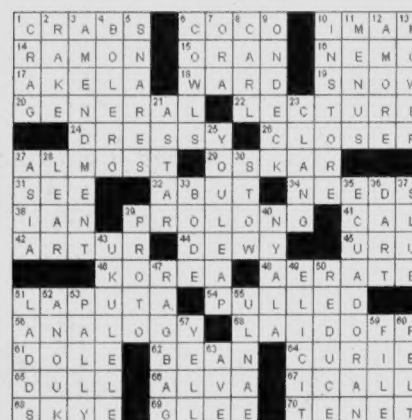
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GHOST STORIES

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts!! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy...

The Murray House Ghosts

By Marjorie Ludlow Green

Port Perry is a town known for its ghosts – a fact I learned first-hand in the late 1980s while on freelance assignment for a Durham newspaper.

Niki Bainbridge, then owner of the Murray House Restaurant, agreed to an interview, without warning me that her home's unusual residents might want in on the action.

Niki sat across the table from me, sipping her wine and relaxing after the lunch hour rush. In an adjacent room, a handful of lingering diners chatted, happily oblivious to the unusual tension I could feel in the air. I had the distinct sensation that the house itself was listening to every word of our conversation.

The doorbell rang and Niki went to answer it, but there was no-one there. Halfway through our conversation, it rang again. Still no-one. When it rang a third time, Niki said loudly: "This is starting to annoy me," and sent a waitress to answer it. Once again, there was no-one at the door.

It is not known when they came, or how or why, but one thing is certain: Port Perry's Murray House has ghosts. Built by the Carnegie family in 1914, the house stands on the site of an old hotel that burned to the ground in 1884. Sometime in the early 1930s, the Carnegie estate sold the home to John Murray, whose family continued to live there for over 40 years – thus giving the house its name.



At some point, the Murray House became transformed into an elegant dining establishment, which passed through several owners, before ending up as a popular pub – the Jester's Court – in 1997. And each owner, in turn, has found it absolutely impossible to ignore the building's three, usually passive, always friendly ghosts.

When Niki first came to work at the Murray House, as a chef in 1981, the ghosts had already been in residence for some time, frightening at least two previous owners into selling the place. One of these owners confessed to not being able to work in her upstairs sewing room – sensing that someone else was in the room. Another owner's girlfriend refused to stay in the house alone.

But Niki loved the place, enough to buy it in 1986 and commence operating her own fine restaurant – despite the third floor attic: a place where no-one would go.

The door to the attic had been insulated from behind, because in winter, snow would blow in. But even though she kept it locked, the door would often mysteriously unlock itself and start to bang. When the attic was renovated, it became Niki's favorite room – until the day she announced her intention to sell the house.

While up in her room that day, she heard a noise and turned around – just in time to see the door closing and watch the bolt slide across. "They locked me in my room, like I was a bad girl," said Niki. "When I said, 'Okay, I won't sell!' they let me out."

The ghosts, it seems, are a middle-aged man and woman, and an older, grey-haired lady in her 70s or 80s. While Niki never saw the couple herself, she certainly met the old lady, whom she first came across in the downstairs hallway. Wearing a long dress with a ruffled collar and a full bibbed apron with pockets, the old woman was smiling at her. Niki realized she was a friendly presence.

All three ghosts were seen one night by a young dishwasher, working alone. While coming out of the kitchen with a tray of dishes, he saw the couple sitting in the candlelight at one of the tables, the old lady standing beside them. The old woman turned and smiled; the young dishwasher quit the next day.

One Hallowe'en, an Ouija board was sent skipping across the room. Once, when pestered by youngsters to talk about the ghosts, Niki noticed the hanging plant in the doorway starting to turn. The group watched in terror as the tendrils of the plant continued to turn and spin in the motionless air.

Even today, the 'sightings' continue. Debbie Burton, a waitress/bartender, at the Jester's Court, will swear to "quite a few dealings with the little old lady." While the middle-aged couple has not been seen again, the little old lady continues to "play her games." One late night, with a full bar crowd on hand, Debbie noticed someone beckoning to her from Table 13 – in a darkened area where she had just turned out the lights. She went running over, only to discover no-one was there.

While Ray Romano was in Port Perry, working on the movie 'Welcome to Mooseport Maine', several members of the film crew decided to visit the pub for lunch. One man went upstairs to use the washroom, looked in the mirror and saw someone standing behind him. Thinking it was a joke, he turned around to assure himself there was no-one there, then turned back around – to see an old lady, laughing at him in the mirror. "He came down, white and shaking," reports Debbie. "But later on that night, he hit it rich at the Casino ... and came back and thanked the ghost."

Are there really ghosts in the Murray House? Previous owners – Doris Beare (of the Murray Family) and Bill Carnegie (whose grandfather built the house) – always considered it nonsense. And yet, while I was there, the doorbell rang three times (once for each ghost?) and each time, there was no-one at the door. Prior to my visit, the doorbell had behaved normally, and after I left, it did not ring mysteriously again.

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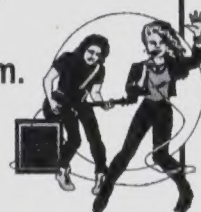
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Kennisis Lake



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\$19,500.00

Little Kennisis Lake



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VACANT BUILDING LOT

Gelert Road - There is lots you could do here with the trails, mixed bush, total privacy and level. It would be a great retreat, hunting grounds, and 4 wheeling or build a family compound. Oh did I mention that this property is 100 acres. Close to Minden or Kinmount.

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Kennisis Lake



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